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# MANUAL

OF THE

## First Church of Christ

AND

NAMES OF ALL THE MEMBERS

From the Year 1735 to Nov. 1, 1885.

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I asked its people to declare  
The name their glorious City bore ;  
And on the opened gates I saw —  
Illustrious shield ! "THE LORD IS THERE."

Springfield, Mass.

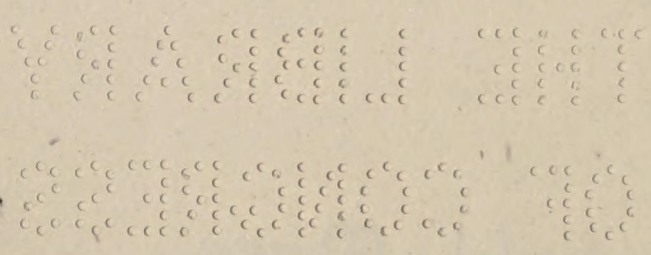
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## Historical Sketch.

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CHURCH ORGANIZED, 1637. SABBATH SCHOOL INSTITUTED,  
1818. NEW CHAPEL AND SABBATH SCHOOL  
ROOMS COMPLETED, 1874.

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SPRINGFIELD was settled by emigrants from Roxbury in the spring of 1636. The First church was probably organized during the next year, 1637, and Rev. GEORGE MOXON was the first pastor. He had received Episcopal ordination in England, and was dismissed, at his own request, in 1652. Of Mr. MOXON little is known after his return to England; it is believed that he was never again in charge of a church. For eight years following, Mr. JOHN PYNCHON, Deacons WRIGHT and CHAPIN, and others "carried on the public worship." The successor of Mr. MOXON, Rev. PELATIAH GLOVER, of Dorchester, was settled in 1660, and continued in office till his death, at the age of fifty-five years, March 29, 1692. Rev. DANIEL BREWER, a native of Roxbury, and a graduate of Harvard college in 1687, was ordained pastor of the church, May, 1694, and continued in the ministry till his death, November 5, 1733. His age was sixty-six, and the length of his ministry, forty years. Of him, the Rev. Mr. WILLIAMS, of Longmeadow, wrote in his diary: "I bless God for such a neighbor." Rev. ROBERT BRECK, a native of Marlboro, was graduated at Harvard in 1730, and was ordained and set over this church, January 27, 1736. After a ministry of forty-eight years, he died, April 23, 1784, aged seventy. Rev. BEZALEEL HOWARD, D. D., was born at Bridgewater in 1753, was graduated at Harvard in 1781, and was ordained pastor of the church, April 27, 1785. From ill health he resigned the active duties of the ministry in 1803, and was dismissed January 25, 1809. He lived honored and respected in his retirement, and died at the age of eighty-three, January 20, 1837. Rev. SAMUEL OSGOOD, D. D., was born at Fryeburg, Me., February 3, 1784. He was graduated at Dartmouth college, 1805,



read theology at Dorchester, in 1806 was licensed to preach, studied theology at Princeton, N. J., and was ordained and installed over the church, January 25, 1809. He resigned the active duties of the pastorate, May 1, 1854, but continued actively employed in doing good, preaching in vacant pulpits, visiting the poor and destitute of the city, to the time of his death, December 8, 1862, in the seventy-ninth year of his age, and the fifty-fourth of his ministry.

Rev. HENRY MARTYN PARSONS (the seventh pastor) was born at East Haddam, Ct., November 13, 1828, was graduated at Yale college in 1848, and at the Connecticut Theological Institute in 1854. He was ordained and installed, November 15, 1854, and served faithfully as pastor of the church until November 15, 1870, when he was dismissed, at his own request, in order to accept a call from another church.

Rev. EDWARD ALLEN REED (the eighth pastor) was ordained and installed, June 14, 1871, and dismissed to another field, July 15, 1878.

Rev. EDWARD P. TERHUNE, D. D. (the ninth pastor), was graduated at the theological seminary of the Reformed (Dutch) church, and ordained in 1855,—two pastoral charges before his settlement here, viz.: at Charlotte C. H., Va., and Newark, N. J.; installed over this church, April 30, 1879. He was dismissed at his own request in order to accept a call to the Reformed (Dutch) church on Bedford avenue, Brooklyn, May 19, 1884.

Rev. MICHAEL BURNHAM (the tenth pastor) was born in Essex, Mass., and was installed over the First church, February 27, 1885. His previous pastorates were the Central Congregational church, of Fall River, and Immanuel Congregational church, of Boston Highlands.

The history of this church is a noted instance of the permanence of the pastoral relation. From the time of its organization to the settlement of Rev. Mr. REED, a period of two hundred and thirty-four years, the church had but seven pastors, and has been without a settled pastor at different times, in all, only fourteen years. The first six pastors ended their ministry with their labors here; three died in active service, and the average length of pastorate of each was thirty-two years.



ARTICLES OF FAITH,  
COVENANT,  
RECEPTION OF MEMBERS,  
ETC.







## ☩ The Apostles' Creed.

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*[Most probably composed of various confessions of faith used by the primitive church in baptismal services, and later introduced as part of the usual church service during the fourth century.]*

I BELIEVE in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell (or into the place of departed spirits); the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy Catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.



# Covenant.

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*[Used by this church from its organization in 1637 to 1821.]*

YOU, PROFESSING your serious belief of the Christian religion, as it is contained in the Sacred Scriptures, do now seriously and very solemnly give up yourself to God in our Lord Jesus Christ, resolving with his help to conform your life to the rules of his holy religion so long as you live; and repenting of all things wherein you have transgressed, you give yourself to the Lord Jehovah, who is the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, and receive him as your God and portion.

You give yourself to the Lord Jesus Christ and rely upon him as the Head of his people in the covenant of grace, and as your Prophet, Priest and King forever.

You give yourself to this church of his, engaging with his help, in the communion thereof to attend upon all the ordinances of the gospel, so long as your opportunity to be thereby edified shall here be continued to you.



# Baptism of Children.

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## COVENANT.

*[During the reading of these, or other Scriptures, or an appropriate chant by the choir, the parents will bring their children forward for baptism.]*

“Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.”

“Then will I sprinkle clean water upon you, and ye shall be clean.”

“So shall he sprinkle many nations.”

“Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not, for of such is the kingdom of God. And he took them in his arms and blessed them.”

“For the promise is unto you, and to your children.”

“For this child I prayed, and the Lord hath given me my petition which I asked of him. Therefore, also, I have lent him to the Lord; as long as he liveth he shall be lent to the Lord.”

“He will command his children and his household after him, and they shall keep the way of the Lord to do justice and judgment.”

DEARLY BELOVED: Believing that the covenant God made with Abraham, for himself and his posterity, in respect to all spiritual gifts and blessings, has been continued in this dispensation and fully ratified by Jesus Christ, the Messenger of the covenant, to all his believing people; and recognizing in the seal of baptism, divinely appointed, the spiritual truth that our Saviour Christ, who commanded it to be administered, will, by the power of his Holy Spirit, effectually work in the hearts of his elect, in time convenient, all that is meant and signified by the same:—

You now present this child to the Lord in this public way to be his forever; and you do solemnly promise to instruct him in the principles of the gospel, to maintain before him a life of prayer and godliness, and to endeavor in all Christian fidelity to bring him up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord—thus by the divine blessing fitting him for the communion and fellowship of saints in the Church on earth and in heaven.—Thus you truly and heartily engage.



## Infant Baptism.

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THE following are some of the Scriptures on which we rest for authority in Infant Baptism:—

1st. The covenant which God made with Abraham included blessings for the posterity of believers:—Gen. 17:7, “And I will establish my covenant between me and thee and thy seed after thee in their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be a God unto thee and to thy seed after thee.”

The Apostle Peter preaching on the day of Pentecost, urged repentance and baptism on this ground: “For the promise is unto you, and to your children.” No one denies that Jewish children were included with their parents in this covenant.

2d. This covenant, which God made with Abraham, was not abolished with the Jewish ritual. For, Rom. 15:8, “Jesus Christ was a minister of the circumcision for the truth of God, to confirm the promises *made* unto the fathers.” Gal. 3:17, “And this I say, *that* the covenant, that was confirmed before of God in Christ, the law, which was four hundred and thirty years after, cannot disannul, that it should make the promise of none effect.” Gal. 3:29, “If ye *be* Christ’s, then are ye Abraham’s seed, and heirs according to the promise.”

3d. The covenant with its ancient seal of circumcision had a spiritual meaning. As it was renewed to the Church in Christ, the same import attends its meaning under the seal of baptism.

Col. 2:11, 12, “In whom also ye are circumcised with the circumcision made without hands, in putting off the body of the sins of the flesh by the circumcision of Christ: buried with him in baptism, wherein also ye are risen with *him* through the faith of the operation of God, who hath raised him from the dead.”

4th. Our Lord recognized this rite in his ministry. The disciples kept back the little children from him, Mark 10:14, “But when Jesus saw *it*, he was much displeased, and said unto them: Suffer the little



children to come unto me, and forbid them not; for of such is the kingdom of God."

5th. One-third of the baptisms mentioned in the New Testament were household baptisms. Speaking of Lydia, who believed, the record, Acts 16:15, says: "She was baptized, and her household." Again in the 33d verse, when the jailer believed, "He was baptized, he and all his, straightway." 1 Cor. 1:16, Paul says: "And I baptized also the household of Stephanas."

6th. We practice this rite because the Scriptures declare the faith of one of the parents sufficient to authorize the seal of the covenant. 1 Cor. 7:14, "For the unbelieving husband is sanctified by the wife, and the unbelieving wife is sanctified by the husband: else were your children unclean; but now are they holy." This was spoken to a Christian church, and the simple meaning of it is: that if the faith of one parent was not under the promise, then the children would be out of the covenant, but now they are under it, and entitled to its seal.



# Articles of Faith.

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ADOPTED BY THE FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SPRINGFIELD, JANUARY 5, 1821.

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## ARTICLE I.

WE believe that there is but one God; the Creator, Preserver and Moral Governor of the universe; a being of infinite power, knowledge, wisdom, justice, goodness and truth; the self-existent, independent and immutable fountain of good; that the mode of divine existence is such as lays a foundation for a distinction into three persons—the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, and that these three are one in essence, and equal in power and glory.

## ARTICLE II.

We believe that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments were given by inspiration of God; that they are profitable for doctrine, for correction, for reproof, and for instruction in righteousness; and that they are our only rule of doctrinal belief and religious practice.

## ARTICLE III.

We believe that God has made all things for himself; that known unto him are all his works from the beginning; and that he governs all things according to the counsel of his own will; that the divine law and the principles and administration of the divine government are perfectly holy, just and good; and that all rational beings are bound to approve of them as such.

## ARTICLE IV.

We believe that God at first created man in his own image, in a state of rectitude and holiness, and that he fell from that state by transgressing the divine command in the article of forbidden fruit; that in consequence of the apostasy, the heart of man in his natural state, is destitute of holiness, and in a state of positive



disaffection with the law, character and government of God ; and that all men previous to regeneration are dead in trespasses and sins.

#### ARTICLE V.

We believe that Christ, the Son of God, has by his obedience, sufferings and death, made atonement for sin ; that he is the only Redeemer of sinners ; and that all who are saved will be altogether indebted to the grace and mercy of God for their salvation.

#### ARTICLE VI.

We believe that although the invitations of the gospel are such, that whosoever will, may come and take of the water of life freely, yet the depravity of the human heart is such, that no man will come to Christ, except the Father, by the special and efficacious influences of his Spirit, draw him.

#### ARTICLE VII.

We believe that those who embrace the gospel were chosen in Christ before the foundation of the world, that they should be holy, and without blame before him in love ; and that they are saved, not by works of righteousness which they have done, but according to the distinguishing mercy of God, through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth.

#### ARTICLE VIII.

We believe that those who cordially embrace Christ, although they may be left to fall into sin, never will be left finally to fall away and perish ; but will be kept by the power of God through faith, unto salvation.

#### ARTICLE IX.

We believe that watchfulness over the life, holy meditation, a conscientious attendance upon public, family and secret worship, together with the steady practice of righteousness, truth, sincerity, and charity towards man, and of sobriety, chastity and temperance towards ourselves, are the indispensable duties of every Christian.

#### ARTICLE X.

We believe that there will be a general resurrection of the bodies both of the just and of the unjust ; that all mankind must one day



stand before the judgment seat of Christ, to receive a just and final sentence of retribution according to the deeds done in the body; and that at the day of judgment, the state of all will be unalterably fixed; and that the punishment of the wicked, and the happiness of the righteous will be endless.

#### ARTICLE XI.

We believe that Christ has a visible Church in the world, into which none in the sight of God but real believers, and none in the sight of man but visible believers have right of admission.

#### ARTICLE XII.

We believe that the sacraments of the New Testament are baptism and the Lord's supper; that believers in regular church standing only can consistently partake of the Lord's supper, and that visible believers and their households only, can consistently be admitted to the ordinance of baptism.



# Covenant.

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ADOPTED BY THE FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SPRINGFIELD, JANUARY 5, 1821.

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YOU do now, in the presence of God and man, avouch the Lord Jehovah, Father, Son and Holy Ghost, to be your God, the supreme object of your affections, and your chosen portion forever. You cordially acknowledge the Lord Jesus Christ in all his mediatorial offices, Prophet, Priest and King, as your only Saviour and final Judge; and the Holy Spirit as your Sanctifier, Comforter and Guide. You humbly and cheerfully devote yourself to God, in the everlasting covenant of grace. You consecrate all your powers and faculties to his service and glory; and you promise to take the Scriptures as the rule of your life and conversation; and that through the assistance of his Spirit and grace you will cleave to him as your chief good; that you will give diligent attention to his word and ordinances, to family and secret prayer, and to the observance of his Sabbath; that you will seek the honor of his name and the interest of his kingdom; and that henceforth denying all ungodliness, and every worldly lust, you will live soberly, righteously, and godly, in the world.

You do now cordially join yourself to this as a church of Christ, engaging to submit to its discipline, so far as conformable to the rules of the gospel; and solemnly covenanting to strive, as much as in you lies, for its gospel peace, edification and purity; and to walk with its members in Christian love, faithfulness, circumspection, meekness and sobriety; and abandoning the sinful pleasures and amusements of the world, to prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.—Thus you covenant, promise and engage.

*(All the members of the church here rise.)*

We do now receive you into our communion, and promise to watch over you with Christian affection and tenderness, ever treating you in love as a member of the body of Christ, who is Head over all things to the Church. This we do, imploring of the Great Shepherd of Israel, our Lord and Redeemer, that both you and we may have wisdom and grace to be faithful in his covenant, and to glorify him with the holiness which becomes his house forever. Amen.



## Reception of Members from Other Churches.

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ON the communion Sabbath, immediately after the admission of those who profess their faith (or if none are thus admitted), before the communion service, the names of those whose letters have been accepted, shall be read, together with the names of churches recommending them, and presenting themselves before the congregation they shall receive the following address:—

CHRISTIAN FRIENDS:—

In a former connection, you have avowed your belief in the cardinal doctrines of our faith, and sustained a visible union to the Great Head of the Church. Bearing testimonials of good standing in the Church of Christ, which we receive as valid, you are now to assume similar obligations, and enter into like engagements with us.

Do you, therefore, accept the Articles of Faith, and adopt the Covenant of this church? (*The members assenting.*) In behalf of this church, I, therefore, welcome you to its fellowship, and declare you entitled to all its privileges. And may the God of peace that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, that great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work, to do his will, working in you that which is well pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ; to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.



# REGULATIONS.







# Regulations.

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## SACRAMENTS.

1. The Lord's supper will be administered, ordinarily, on the first Sabbath in January, March, May, July, September, and November ; and baptism to children, ordinarily, on the second Sabbath of every month.

## CHURCH MEETINGS.

2. A meeting of this church shall be held annually on the second Thursday evening of December, at which the records of the preceding year shall be read ; all annual officers of the church shall be chosen ; the catalogue of members shall be revised ; the deacons, and superintendents of the Sabbath school shall present accounts of all moneys received, expended or held by them, in behalf of the church during the preceding year, stating the time and manner of their collection and expenditure, which accounts are to be placed on file by the clerk ; and such other business shall be done as may be appointed or proper for said meeting.

The annual meeting, and all other meetings of the church for the transaction of special business, shall be notified on the Sabbath day preceding, and all members of the church present may vote therein.

Any meeting of the church, duly notified by the pastor, or by request of three members, shall be a regular meeting for business.

## PASTOR.

3. It is desirable that the pastor should be a member of the church to which he ministers and over the meetings of which he ordinarily presides ; and when not already a member he will be expected to unite with the church at the first convenient opportunity.

## DEACONS.

4. The number of deacons shall be six, one of whom shall be chosen by ballot at each annual meeting. They shall hold their offices respectively for the term of six years, from the annual meet-



ing of the year in which they are elected ; provided, that in case of a vacancy in the office by reason of the death, resignation, or removal of the incumbent, his successor shall be chosen to fill out the remainder of the vacant term.

The deacons, before entering upon the duties of their office, shall be consecrated by appropriate services, including their public assent to the Articles of Faith.

#### STANDING COMMITTEE.

5. The pastor, deacons, and the clerk of the church, and the superintendent of the Sabbath school, together with four members, two of whom shall be chosen at each annual meeting to serve for two years, shall all be elected by ballot and shall constitute a standing committee, whose duty it shall be to examine the qualifications of applicants for admission to the church; to attend to matters of discipline, and bring before the church such cases as in their opinion may require its action; to appoint all officers of the Sabbath school, other than the superintendent; to recommend measures for the advancement of the Redeemer's kingdom; and to do whatever business may be referred to them by the church.

#### CLERK.

6. The clerk shall be chosen by ballot to serve for one year, and until another is chosen; and it shall be his duty to keep a record containing minutes of the doings of the church, its standing regulations, recorded in a place by themselves, and a chronological list of its members, with the time of their admission, dismissal, or death, so far as he can ascertain the same.

#### SABBATH SCHOOL AND BIBLE SERVICE.

7. The church assumes the care and responsibility of the Sabbath school and Bible service as a part of its Christian work; and the standing committee, under the direction of the church, shall have the control and management of the school. The superintendent shall be elected by the church (by ballot) at the annual meeting.

#### COMMITTEE OF FEMALE MEMBERS.

8. At each annual meeting, there shall be chosen a committee of five female members, who shall aid the standing committee in church work as occasion may require.



## ADMISSIONS.

9. Persons who desire to make a profession of religion and to join this church, upon making known their request to the pastor or deacons, shall be examined by the standing committee and other members of the church who may desire, and if approved, shall be propounded in the presence of the congregation one week, after which they may, by vote of the church, be received, upon the Articles of Faith and the Covenant being read, and by them assented to, and baptism being administered to such as have not before received it.

The third Friday evening before each communion Sabbath shall be the stated time for the examination of applicants, who shall then receive a copy of the Articles of Faith and the Covenant.

Members of other churches in fellowship with us, applying for admission to this church with letters of recommendation from their respective churches, shall not be admitted upon such letters merely, but every such case shall be referred to the standing committee, and the applicants be propounded one week in the presence of the congregation. By vote of the church, they may then be received, on their assent to the Articles of Faith and Covenant.

## DISMISSION.

10. All letters of dismission from this church and recommendation to another church in fellowship with us, shall be given by vote of the church, upon application made known to it one week before, and shall be signed by the pastor or the clerk.

The clerk shall at the same time send a duplicate of the letter to the pastor of the church to which the member is recommended.

No letter of recommendation shall be valid after one year from its date.

## ABSENT MEMBERS.

11. Whenever members of this church shall change their place of residence or of worship, it shall be their duty, as soon as they conveniently can, to apply to this church for letters of dismission and recommendation to some other church in fellowship with us, if there is such in their neighborhood; and if they shall delay this application more than one year after such change, letters shall not be granted, unless special reasons satisfactory to this church are assigned for the delay.

Immediately after the annual meeting, it shall be the duty of the



clerk to forward copies of these Regulations respecting absent members, to such as shall be found to have changed their place of residence or worship without applying to us for dismissal; and if such absent members shall disregard the communication, they shall be considered as guilty of a breach of fellowship.

#### MEMBERS OF OTHER CHURCHES.

12. No member of another church, residing in this city and accustomed to worship with us, will be expected to commune with this church more than one year, without applying to the pastor or other members of the standing committee, for admission to this church, or making known satisfactory reasons for delay.

#### INDIGENT MEMBERS.

13. At each communion season there shall be a collection, to be disbursed by the deacons of the church, with the advice of the standing committee, for the comfortable maintenance of indigent members, and for defraying all necessary church expenses.

#### DISCIPLINE.

14. Whereas, gospel discipline is indispensable to the purity and well being of the Church of Christ, whenever any member of this church knows cause of complaint against another member for disciplinable offenses, Christian watchfulness requires of him to make known the same to the church through the standing committee, in order that the offender may be properly dealt with, and the offense removed; provided however, that if the offense be of a private nature the complainant ought to pursue the course prescribed in Matthew 18: 15-17.

#### CONTRIBUTIONS.

15. Contributions shall be taken up for benevolent purposes, at such times and in such modes as the church may direct, by collectors to be appointed by the standing committee.

At the annual meeting a treasurer shall be chosen by ballot, who shall take charge of all moneys contributed, and forthwith deposit them in his name as treasurer of the First church in Springfield, in some one of the national banks of this city, to be designated by the deacons. He shall keep a distinct and accurate account with the different funds for which the contributions are taken, and present a written report of the same at the annual meeting, specifying the



times when and the objects for which they were taken, and the disposition made of the money, which report, if accepted, shall be placed on file by the clerk of the church.

He shall pay over all the sums contributed at the Bible service, or for its use, as he shall be directed by the committee on the Sabbath school, unless the church makes a special appropriation of them; all sums contributed at the communion, or for the charities of the church to the deacons, or their order; and all other sums as he shall be directed by the standing committee.

#### TEMPERANCE.

16. We believe that the use of intoxicating liquor as a beverage, and the traffic in it as an article of luxury or diet, are inconsistent with the spirit and requirements of the Christian religion, and ought to be abandoned throughout the world. Therefore, in admitting members to this church we will act in accordance with this belief.

#### VACANCIES.

17. Vacancies occurring in any office may be filled at any church meeting duly notified; until filled by the church, they may, except in the case of deacon, be filled by appointment of the standing committee.







LIST OF  
OFFICERS AND MEMBERS.



“Occupy till I come.”



1885.

## Officers of the Church and Parish.

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PASTOR,

REV. MICHAEL BURNHAM.

DEACONS,

JNO. R. HIXON,	Elected 1865,	Term Expires 1890.
ADDISON P. WARE,	Elected 1880,	Term Expires 1886.
JOHN GILES,	Elected 1882,	Term Expires 1888.
STEPHEN CHAPIN,	Elected 1883,	Term Expires 1889.
CHARLES E. BROWN,	Elected 1883,	Term Expires 1891.
JAMES L. JOHNSON,	Elected 1884,	Term Expires 1887

CLERK, DANIEL P. COLE.

TREASURER, J. AUGUSTUS ROBBINS.

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## SABBATH SCHOOL.

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SUPERINTENDENT, WILLIAM P. DRAPER.

ASSISTANTS,

DANIEL P. COLE,      RALPH W. ELLIS,      H. F. RICH.

SECRETARY, JAS. H. CLARK.   Assistant, GEO. F. SMITH. !

LIBRARIAN, DR. W. E. HOLT.   Assistant, C. W. PHILLIPS.

USHER, C. A. MORGAN.

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## PARISH.

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COMMITTEE,

WM. H. HAILE,      WM. L. BARNARD,  
A. B. WALLACE,      A. A. PACKARD,  
CHAS. E. BROWN.

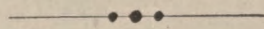
CLERK, E. DUDLEY CHAPIN.

TREASURER, RALPH W. ELLIS.

SEXTON, O. H. PERRY.



# THE MEMBERSHIP.



Total Number of Members, 775.

Males, 241. Females, 534.

Residents, 646. Non-Residents, 129.



## The Church Roll.

† Non-resident.    } Husband and wife.    w Widow.

Adams, Harriet S. (wife David A.)	1835	Cong., Mansfield, Ct.
Adams, James S. }	1864	
Adams, Caroline E. }	1871	
Adams, Wm. F. }	1866	
Adams, Jennie E. Strong }	1878	
Alden, Ella S. (wife Elbert A.)	1873	1st Cong., Westfield.
Allen, Helen J.	1875	1st Cong., W. Springfield.
Ames, Nathan E. }	1877	North, City.
Ames, Delia }	1877	" "
Ames, Olive M. (w. Samuel)	1878	North, City.
Anderson, Ellen	1858	
Anderson, Emily Augusta	1878	
Anderson, Miss Belle B.	1883	
Armstrong, Anna E. (w.)	1870	East Cong., Ware.
Ashcroft, Rissa L. Fay (wife Chas. E.)	1877	
Ashley, Clarissa (w. Noah)	1847	
Ashley, Mary (w. Norman)	1874	
Avery, Henry }	1846	Cong., Windsor, Ct.
Avery, Sarah H. }	1844	
Avery, Seth W. }	1856	
Avery, Elizabeth M. }	1856	
Avery, Sarah Osgood (w. Alex. H.)	1864	Harvard Cong., Brookline.
Ayers, Everard }	1874	1st Cong., North Adams.
Ayers, Melissa A. }	1874	" "
Baker, Helen M.	1873	1st Cong., S. Windsor, Ct.
Baker, Miss Julia	1883	
Bailey, Sarah L. (wife Chester L.)	1871	
Bailey, Huldah T. (w. Samuel E.)	1879	Union, Worcester.
Ballinger, Catherine	1885	Pres., N. Y. Mills, N. Y.
Banister, Jonathan F.	1883	Edwards, Northampton.
Barber, Myron E.	1873	1st Pres., Scranton, Pa.
† Barber, Mrs. Mary G. (w.)	1867	North Cong., City.
† Bardwell, George Dwight	1884	
Barker, Willard R. }	1876	Cong., Agawam.
Barker, Mary F. }	1870	1st Cong., Windsor, Vt.
Barnard, William L.	1875	Baptist, Shelburne Falls.



†Barnes, Catherine W.	1875	
†Barnes, George A.	1877	1st Cong., W. Brookfield.
†Barnes, Wm. H.	1877	1st Cong., W. Brookfield.
Barnes, Laura G. (w. H. C.)	1882	Cong., Agawam.
Barnes, Miss Emma A.	1884	
Barney, Arthur E.	1883	
Barrett, R. Cecil }	1867	Cong., Somers, Ct.
Barrett, Catherine H. }	1867	" " "
Barrett, Arthur F.	1874	
Barrett, Fannie L.	1874	
Barrett, Horace H.	1878	
†Bartlett, Frank A.	1867	
†Batchelder, Charles W. }	1876	2d Cong., Hartford, Ct.
†Batchelder, Adelaide L. }	1876	" " "
Bates, Elizabeth	1844	
Bayliss, Esther A.	1885	North, City.
Beebe, Kate (wife Henry J.)	1881	North, City.
Beldin, George Morrison	1878	
Beldin, Rachel C. (wife H. L.)	1880	•Classon Av. Pres., Brooklyn.
Bemis, Henry S. }	1876	
Bemis, Henrietta }	1878	
Berry, Melvin A.	1883	Cong., Westhampton.
Bestor, Adeline	1878	Olivet, City.
†Bidwell, Lucy M.	1871	S. Baptist, Hartford, Ct.
Bigelow, Frank B.	1884	
Bill, Ruth E. Wight (wife N. D.)	1878	
Billings, Frances C. (w. H. E.)	1868	Cong., Somers, Ct.
†Birnie, Thomas P.	1876	
Blake, Chloe (w. Elijah)	1844	
†Blake, Charles	1833	Pres., Ovid, N. Y.
Blake, Mrs. Ada M. (wife Charles E.)	1882	Cong., Westford, Vt.
Blair, Atkins E. }	1883	Methodist, Palmer.
Blair, Hattie E. Simonds }	1874	
†Bliss, Rev. Edwin E. (Miss. A. B. C. F. M.)	1831	
Bliss, Miss Margaret	1831	
Bliss, Miss Lois	1835	
Bliss, Luther, Jr.	1858	
†Bliss, Sarah P. (w. Richard)	1835	
Bliss, Caroline E.	1851	
Bliss, Achsah	1826	
Bliss, George Gardner	1878	
Blue, Mrs. Elizabeth J. (w. Neil)	1883	Cong., Brandon, Vt.
Bly, Lucy (wife E. H.)	1866	
†Bond, Almenia (w.)	1857	1st Cong., Palmer.
Bond, Martha H.	1870	Methodist, Durham, Ct.
Booth, Mary E. (wife Dr.)	1878	



Bowen, Abigail L. (wife —)	1861	Cong., Lee.
Bowen, L. E. (w. Nelson O.)	1885	Hope, City.
Boynton, M. Lizzie	1871	Cong., W. Brookfield.
†Bradway, Wm. H.	1875	
Brace, Sarah L.	1874	
Brace, John Douglass	1878	
Brady, Miss Adelia C.	1884	
Brailey, Eliza Ann (wife John Q.)	1877	2d Cong., Amherst.
Brailey, Cora M.	1885	
†Brewer, Francis A.	1850	
Brewer, Mary Adams	1844	
†Briggs, Harry Dwight }	1878	
†Briggs, Ida Maria }	1881	
Brigham, Mary B. (w. Elbridge)	1860	
Brooks, Annie L. (wife Dr. L. S.)	1885	Pilgrim, Providence.
Brooks, Dr. S. D.	1885	Olivet, City.
Brown, Charles Edwin }	1878	
Brown, Mary Elizabeth }	1878	
Bruce, Margaret	1884	
Bruce, George }	1883	Church of Scotland, Kirkwell.
Bruce, Ellen Geddes }	1883	" " "
Brug, Mrs. Gertrude (w. Charles)	1884	
Brug, Nellie E.	1884	
Brug, Theresa M.	1884	
Buckler, M. Matilda	1884	Payson, Easthampton.
Buckler, Elizabeth	1884	Payson, Easthampton.
Bugbee, Charles A. }	1847	Cong., Northampton.
Bugbee, Maria J. }	1847	" "
Bunker, Lizzie Pearl	1878	
Burbank, Caroline C.	1872	Cong., Winchester, N. H.
Burnham, Rev. Michael }	1885	Immanuel, Boston Highlands.
Burnham, Cassandra V. }	1885	" "
Burns, Amy (wife of D.)	1883	Pres., Thompsonville, Ct.
Burt, Arthur S. }	1864	
Burt, Alice A. }	1870	Cong., Greenfield.
Burt, Adelia R. (wife Marcus L.)	1864	Cong., Otisco, N. Y.
Burt, George Sumner }	1879	Evangel Cong., Plainfield.
Burt, Nettie Clara }	1879	2d Cong., Greenfield.
Butler, Joseph }	1865	2d Cong., Holyoke.
Butler, Almira }	1865	" " "
Butts, Elizabeth C. (wife John D.)	1864	1st Cong., S. Hadley.
Caldwell, Susan J.	1864	Pres., Schenectady, N. Y.
Calhoun, Charles K. }	1874	
Calhoun, Mary W. Morris }	1858	
Calkins, Marshall }	1872	North, City.
Calkins, Adelaide A. }	1872	" "
Calkins, Cheney Hosmer	1878	



Call, Ruhema S. (wife Amos)	1873	
Case, Adelbert B.	1881	1st Cong., Worcester.
†Chaffee, Catherine L. (w. Thomas S.)	1858	Cong., Blandford.
†Chaffee, Fred K.	1874	
Chamberlain, Mary W. (w. R. S.)	1870	North, City.
Chamberlain, Grace M.	1878	
Chandler, Amarett (w. J. M.)	1871	
Chandler, S. F. }	1877	Howard Av. Cong., N. Haven.
Chandler, Chloe }	1877	" " "
Chandler, Addie (wife N. S.)	1884	
Chapin, Marvin	1855	1st Cong., Westfield.
Chapin, Emily M. (wife Charles)	1859	
†Chapin, Abijah W. }	1867	
†Chapin, Elizabeth H. }	1867	
Chapin, Charles L. }	1868	Cong., Warren.
Chapin, Abby B. }	1868	" "
Chapin, Stephen }	1878	
Chapin, Lucy M. }	1875	North, City.
Chapin, Emma S.	1877	2d Cong., Bridgeport, Ct.
Chapin, Charles	1878	
Chapman, Mary D. Chapin (wife Dr. T. L.)	1857	
Chapman, Mary E.	1869	
Chase, Eva M. (wife O. G.)	1874	
†Clapp, Durward C. }	1883	Cong., S. Deerfield.
†Clapp, Eva A. Whittemore }	1881	
Clark, John }	1873	Pres., Watertown, N. Y.
Clark, Mary }	1875	
Clark, David }	1874	
Clark, Ellen M. }	1874	
Clark, Lena	1884	
†Clark, Perry Anderson	1883	1st Cong., Westfield.
†Clark, Edward F.	1869	1st Cong., Petersham.
†Clark, Marcia R.	1872	
Clark, James Henry	1875	
Clark, Mary Jane	1875	
Clark, Annie Elizabeth	1878	
Clark, Mary	1885	
Cleeland, James }	1860	Pres., St. John, N. B.
Cleeland, Jane A. }	1860	" " " "
Cleeland, Annie R.	1874	
†Clegg, Ellen C.	1872	1st Cong., Bellows Falls, Vt.
†Cloyes, Elizabeth P. (w. Chauncey)	1871	
Cobb, Arianna P.	1880	1st Cong., Morrisville, Vt.
†Coffran, Mary K. (w. James)	1847	
Code, Laura Eliza	1878	
†Colcord, John C.	1883	
Cole, Daniel P.	1874	



Collins, Jabez }	1876	Cong., Somers.
Collins, Sarah M. }	1876	" "
Colton, Josiah C. }	1869	" Longmeadow.
Colton, Nancy A. }	1869	" "
Colton, Lizzie Rouene	1878	
Colton, Alice (w. Saml.)	1865	Cong., W. Granville.
Colton, Julia B. (w. Luther W.)	1858	Cong., Longmeadow.
†Cook, Rhoda A.	1874	
Cooley, Betsey A. (w. Wm., Jr.)	1846	
Cooley, Mary T. (w. C. O.)	1883	Cong., West Granville.
†Coolidge, Hannah P. Blake (wife Aug.)	1859	
Condon, Clara E. Lyman (wife J. C.)	1874	
Covell, Chauncey L. }	1879	Memorial, City.
Covell, Susan E. }	1879	" "
Covell, Anna T.	1879	" "
Covell, Carrie Langdon	1879	
Cowan, Lorinda (w.)	1882	1st Church, Enfield.
Crane, Lizzie D. (wife Merritt)	1885	Pres., Taylor, Texas.
Cross, Ann T. (wife Porter)	1867	
Crossett, George A.	1836	1st Cong., Northampton.
Daley, May F.	1884	
Danielson, Henry M.	1881	Westf. Cong., Danielsonv., Ct.
Dart, Philura (w. Edward)	1833	
Davis, Mary O. (wife Henry M.)	1863	
Davis, George H. }	1884	
Davis, Maria M. }	1884	
Day, Robert W.	1876	
Denver, Ella Augusta (wife W. J.)	1878	
Derby, Pardon H. }	1862	Beneficent, Prov., R. I.
Derby, Ellen Booth }	1880	Cong., Ellington, Ct.
Dickinson, Amelia S. (w. of Ocran)	1835	
Dickinson, Louisa S.	1850	Olivet, City.
Dickinson, Abbie C. (wife J. W.)	1872	
Dickinson, Minnie A.	1872	
Dickinson, Mary O.	1870	
Dickinson, Julia C.	1885	
Dickman, Mary O.	1870	
Dikeman, Lucy L. (w. Dennis)	1835	
Dikeman, Lucy A.	1856	
†Dodge, Edward Lewis	1878	
Doten, Emma I. (wife E. O.)	1869	
Dowdy, Jane (wife Wm. M.)	1882	College Sqr. Pres., Belfast, Ire.
Draper, Wm. P. }	1875	Crombie St. Cong., Salem.
Draper, Alice E. Newell }	1873	
Dumbleton, Harvey }	1878	
Dumbleton, Lovisa H. }	1868	



Dumbleton, Nettie H.	1873	
Dumbleton, Edward Clark	1878	
Dumbleton, George M.	1878	
†Dunn, Charles Arthur	1878	
Durgan, Phebe A.	1884	
Earle, Janette (w. Robert)	1880	
Eastman, Mrs. Sybella W. (w. S. S.)	1885	Hope, City.
Edwards, Lucinda (w.)	1883	Cong., New Ipswich, N. H.
Edmands, L. Jeanie (w. Leonard W.)	1881	Cong., Ewing.
Eldridge, Hiram }	1869	
Eldridge, Ellen M. }	1868	
Eldridge, Margaret (wife David)	1880	Hope, City.
†Elliott, Albert W. }	1874	Evangelical, Barre.
†Elliott, Martha L. }	1874	
Elliot, Gertrude Bugbee (wife E. L.)	1884	
Ellis, Theodore W. }	1880	1st Bapt., City.
Ellis, Maria L. }	1880	" " "
Ellis, Ralph W. }	1880	" " "
Ellis, Katherine A. }	1882	Park St. M. E., Chelsea.
†Ellsworth, Lizzie Gouch	1874	
English, Lizzie F. (w. Benj. C.)	1874	
English, Lena L.	1884	
Evans, Geo. H. }	1881	Evangelical, Westboro.
Evans, Augusta M. }	1881	" "
Ewer, James W. }	1884	
Ewer, Sarah Helen }	1884	
Ewer, Edna Wallace	1884	
†Fairman, Emily W.	1873	1st Cong., Northampton.
Farrar, Edwin }	1878	Memorial Pres., Troy, N. Y.
Farrar, Louise C. }	1878	" " " "
Farrar, Ida F.	1883	
Fay, Luella E.	1883	
Fiske, Mary J. (w. D. C.)	1864	Cong., Ludlow.
Fiske, Henry G.	1878	Beneficent Cong., Prov., R. I.
Flagg, Lura (w. Seth)	1820	
Flagg, Lizzie	1866	
Flagg, Sarah G.	1858	
Fletcher, Morris D. }	1881	1st Cong., Amherst.
Fletcher, Jennie M. Palmer }	1876	
Folsom, Gilman }	1869	
Folsom, Laura E. }	1869	
Foster, Minerva B. (wife Jno. M.)	1842	Cong., Whately.
Foster, Emma E.	1863	
Foster, Lizzie M.	1878	
Forward, Frances L. (w.)	1878	1st Cong., So. Hadley.
Franklin, James P.	1884	2d Cong., Holyoke.



†French, Orinda D. (wife C. B.)	1859	
†French, Eva J. Hendrick (wife C. C.)	1870	
†French, Arthur Wright	1878	
†Frink, Emily A. (wife Geo. H.)	1874	
Frissell, Dr. Seraph	1885	South Cong., Pittsfield.
Fuller, Lucy A. (wife Henry, Jr.)	1835	1st Cong., Northampton.
†Fuller, Lizzie C.	1864	
Fuller, Mary L. (w. Henry J.)	1869	Cong., Somers.
Fuller, Alberta Louisa	1878	
Fuller, Mary Elvira	1878	
Gale, Wm. Fulton	1878	
Galpin, Allen McLean	1871	
Gardner, Eunice	1856	
Gardner, Mabel Colburn	1884	
Gardner, Abby L.	1858	
Gardner, Jessie Cameron	1878	2d Cong., Holyoke.
Gates, Phebe A. (w. Israel)	1873	Olivet, City.
†Gates, Fanny A. Terry (wife Eugene N.)	1872	
Gates, Mabel M. (wife Edward R.)	1873	
†Gay, Mrs. Helen Morris (wife Wm. W.)	1869	
Gibbs, Kate Chapin (wife H. A.)	1877	
Gibbs, Betsey E. (wife Azro B.)	1869	
Gilbert, Mary A. (w.)	1871	Cong., W. Brookfield.
Giles, John }	1867	" Harmar, Ohio.
Giles, Mary A. }	1867	" " "
Godfrey, Jennie J. L. (wife Samuel)	1880	Ref. Prot. Dutch, New York.
Goodhue, Chas. L.	1869	Cong., Agawam.
†Goodwin, Elenora E.	1864	" Meriden, Ct.
Gouch, Ann A. (w. Geo. F.)	1869	South, City.
Gould, Geo. W. }	1883	Memorial, City.
Gould, Nancy W. }	1883	" "
Gould, Geo. L.	1874	
Gould, Grace E.	1883	
Gowdy, Lucy Russell	1863	
†Granger, Amelia W.	1870	2d Cong., Chicopee.
Graves, Henrietta Johnson (wife Chas.)	1878	
Gray, James }	1883	Trinity, Aberdeen, Scotland.
Gray, Mrs. James }	1883	" " "
Greenleaf, Miranda O. (wife J. S.)	1867	2d Cong., Rockville, Ct.
Grossarth, Henry Benj.	1878	
Grow, Jennison }	1876	Cong., Collinsville, Ct.
Grow, Frances }	1876	" " "
Hahn, Louisa M.	1883	
Haile, William H. }	1873	Ortho. Cong., Hinsdale, N. H.
Haile, Amelia L. Chapin }	1873	" " " "



Haile, Henry C.	1884	
Haile, Alice	1884	
†Hall, Chas. Hugh	1878	
Hall, Martha J. (wife Chas. N.)	1874	
†Hall, Willis Alva	1878	
Hall, William C.	1884	
Hallock, Ellen E. (wife Chas. H.)	1867	
Handyside, Alexander }	1878	
Handyside, Mary S. }	1870	U'd Pres., Pollockshaws, Scot.
Harrington, Albert F. }	1867	1st Cong., Pittsfield.
Harrington, Betsey A. }	1867	" " "
†Hastings, Geo. Lewis	1878	
Havens, Elizabeth (wife P. V. B.)	1869	
†Hawley, Newton I. }	1867	Cong., Homer, N. Y.
†Hawley, Marion McKnight }	1867	South, City.
Hebbard, Abby	1863	Br'dway Cong., Norwich, Ct.
Hendrick, Emeline (wife P. M.)	1867	2d Cong., Chicopee.
†Hendrick, Lydia J.	1880	1st Cong., So. Hadley Falls.
Hill, Chas. Parker	1878	
Hill, Fidelia P.	1880	Olivet, City.
Hitchcock, Annie (w. Newton E.)	1878	
Hixon, John R. }	1843	Trinitarian, Taunton.
Hixon, Martha L. }	1843	" "
Hixon, Caroline H. Newell (wife C. W.)	1873	
Hoadley, Emily E. Wolcott (wife G. M.)	1868	
Hodskins, Mary M. (wife Oren E.)	1871	
Hodskins, Edward Bryant	1878	
†Holland, Wm. J. }	1865	Cong., Belchertown.
†Holland, Clara F. }	1865	" "
†Holland, Clara Eliza	1878	
Hollister, Mary A. (wife Gilson D.)	1868	Cong., Longmeadow.
Holt, Jane A.	1871	" W. Brookfield.
Holton, Charles B.	1880	2d Cong., Holyoke.
Holton, Chas. Leonard	1884	
Hooker, Nellie N. A. (wife Chas. P.)	1881	Ch. Redeemer, N. Haven, Ct.
†Hopewell, Sarah W. Blake	1864	
Hopkins, Elthea E. (w. Wm. F.)	1868	Cong., Agawam.
Hosmer, Jane (wife Jesse)	1884	
Hosmer, Edna Browning	1884	
Howard, Sarah K.	1884	South, City.
Howarth, Elizabeth (wife Wm.)	1882	
Howe, Mary Tufts	1879	
†Hubbard, E. M. (w. Anson)	1846	
Hubbard, Amanda (w. Dennis)	1884	
Hubbard, Alice Clark	1884	
Hubbard, Elizabeth Greenwood	1884	
Hubbard, Mary Wilson	1884	



Hunt, Harriet A. (wife Jno. W.)	1857	
Hunt, Julia Clarissa	1879	Cong., Sunderland.
Hunt, Mrs. Eliza	1885	" Agawam.
Hunt, Mary	1885	" "
Hunt, Elihu T.	1885	" "
Huntington, Mary F. (w. Andrew)	1848	1st Ch. of Christ, Lisbon, Ct.
Hurd, Susan F. (w.)	1877	
Ilsey, Emma Louisa	1878	
Irwin, Margaret W. S.	1884	
Ivers, Mary A. (w. Theron)	1865	
Jacobs, Jennie L. Chapin	1878	
Janes, Jonathan E. }	1878	Payson Cong., Easthampton.
Janes, Harriet A. }	1878	
Janes, Arthur Lyman	1878	
Janes, Edward Lyman	1878	
Jensen, Franz George	1878	Reformed Dutch, New York.
Johnson, James L. }	1867	Cong., Lisbon, Ct.
Johnson, Sarah H. }	1867	College St., New Haven, Ct.
Johnson, Anna Louise	1884	
Johnson, John L. }	1882	Greenhill Pres., Philadelphia.
Johnson, Charlotte A. }	1882	
Johnson, Lottie Dinwood	1883	
†Johnson, Addie L. Day (wife Wm.)	1864	
Joslyn, Sarah Crossett (wife Charles)	1858	
Judd, S. Stoddard	1862	Cong., Southampton.
Judd, Mary Bates	1878	
Judd, Florence L.	1884	
†Judkins, Belle W. Eastman (wife Chs.)	1880	Cong., Greenfield.
†Kaler, Jno. A.	1878	Cong., Hampden.
Keenan, William }	1878	
Keenan, Catherine }	1881	
Keenan, Mary	1879	
Keenan, Kate	1881	
Keenan, Maggie	1884	
Kelsey, Mary M. (wife W. H.)	1884	
Kemp, Grace L.	1884	
Kemp, Katie A.	1884	
Kennedy, Nancie	1882	
Kent, Almira A. (w. John)	1868	Cong., West Granville.
Kent, Helen M.	1868	
†Kibbie, Alice F. Clark	1875	" " "
Kilgour, Margaret N. (wife Wm.)	1884	
Kilgour, Mary Jane	1884	
Kilgour, James	1884	



Kingsley, John C. }	1859	Cong., Waterbury, Ct.
Kingsley, Frances K. }	1867	South, City.
Kingsley, Sarah K.	1883	
Kingsley, Caroline B.	1884	
Kingsbury, Emma Baker (wife Geo. O.)	1878	
Kirkland, Miss Nancy M.	1885	Cong., Agawam.
Knight, Chas. H. }	1870	
Knight, Ella May }	1881	
Knox, Harry	1874	
Ladd, Carrie M. (wife Ariel)	1873	Olivet, City.
Ladner, Minnie E. Collins (wife Arch'd)	1874	
†Lathrop, Lydia A. (w. Wells)	1837	Cong., South Weymouth.
Law, Fredk. H.	1885	Cal. Pres., W. Brighton, N. Y.
†Lee, Yan Phou	1884	1st Pres., Canton, China.
Leonard, Jane (wife F. N.)	1874	Cong., Agawam.
Leonard, Alice M.	1874	
Leonard, Archer F.	1874	
Leikam, Geo. H.	1884	3d Cong., Middletown, Ct.
Leshure, Mary L.	1884	
Levalle, Lewis R.	1884	
Lewis, Henry S. }	1877	Russell Cong., Hadley.
Lewis, Alice R. }	1883	South, City.
†Lewis, Alice Louisa	1878	
Lewis, David	1878	1st Pres., Minneapolis, Minn.
Lewis, Lottie H. (w.)	1884	
Lombard, Electa	1831	
Lombard, Edward Murray }	1878	
Lombard, Etta Leonora }	1878	
Lombard, Frances M. (wife Orrin)	1868	Cong., South Wilbraham.
Long, Hattie F. Clyde (wife Charles L.)	1878	
†Longley, Otis	1864	Union Cong., Westford.
†Longley, Albert W.	1864	
Loomis, Mrs. Laura P.	1885	2d Cong., Coventry, Ct.
Lord, Mrs. Villroy C. (wife A. P.)	1885	Cong., Agawam.
Lovering, Lila A.	1884	1st Bap., West Springfield.
Lovering, Lila D. }	1884	" " "
Lovering, Edward M. }	1884	
Lyman, Warren I. }	1864	1st Cong., South Hadley.
Lyman, Emeline E. }	1864	" " "
Lyon, Charles T. }	1867	Cong., Brandon, Vt.
Lyon, Ellen C. }	1867	" " "
Lyon, Bertha Oleana	1878	
Lyon, Harriet Newell	1883	
Macready, Susan S. (wife Jas. B.)	1874	
†Mallory, Cora N. Pynchon (wife H. R.)	1871	
†Mandell, Arthur	1877	



Marsh, Joel S.	1856	Cong., Hardwick.
Marsh, Charles S.	1866	
Marsh, Lucy T.	1881	
Marsh, Grace L.	1881	
Marsh, Rev. Loring B. }	1885	Cong., Berlin, Mass.
Marsh, Emily }	1885	" Wading River, N. Y.
†Martin, George E.	1872	E. St., South Boston.
Mayo, Julia Billings (wife A. N.)	1868	Cong., Somers, Ct.
Mayott, Mary I. (wife L. H.)	1868	
McCaskill, Katie	1880	
†McClester, William	1880	Hope, City.
McFadyen, Chas. H.	1884	
McIntyre, Elizabeth M. (wife James E.)	1873	Center Pres., N. Y.
McKay, Barbara	1878	
McMasters, John	1874	Cong., Granby.
Merritt, Jennie Shillingford (wife H. W.)	1874	
Merrill, Amos Lyman	1879	
Merrifield, Minnie Edith	1878	
Metcalf, Martha (wife E. D.)	1877	Cong., Middlefield, Mass.
†Mills, Elizabeth (w. Enos)	1861	Cong., Great Bend, Pa.
Mills, Dea. Fredk. }	1877	2d Cong., Longmeadow.
Mills, Laura W. }	1882	" Feeding Hills.
†Miner, Hazen H.	1883	
Mitschke, Emma S.	1881	
Montague, Dwight B. }	1874	North, City.
Montague, S. Helen }	1874	" "
Moore, Julia M. Fuller (wife Henry A.)	1874	
Moore, Henry B. }	1873	
Moore, Kate L. }	1873	
Mordaunt, Wm. Francis	1878	
Morgan, Elisha }	1858	
Morgan, Sarah Grant }	1863	4th Cong., Hartford, Ct.
Morgan, Rev. J. F. }	1883	West Cong., Portland, Me.
Morgan, H. C. }	1883	" " "
Morgan, Charles	1883	
Morris, Henry }	1833	College, Amherst.
Morris, Mary }	1827	
Morris, Maria M.	1835	
Morris, Fredk. Wm.	1878	
†Morrison, Margaret	1878	Pres., Winslow, P. Q.
Morse, Ellen H. (wife Moses G.)	1867	East Cong., Ware.
Morse, Maria Alma (w.)	1878	
Moseley, Harvey E. }	1880	North, West Haven, Ct.
Moseley, Sarah R. }	1880	" " " "
Mudgett, Sarah Elizabeth (w.)	1876	
Mudgett, Clara E.	1884	



Nash, Lucretia M.	1867	
Newell, Nelson C. }	1865	Cong., Longmeadow.
Newell, Helen Grant }	1881	1st Cong., Manchester, Ct.
Newell, Mattie Harris (wife W. C.)	1880	Cong., Rutland, Vt.
Newell, Augusta (w. Samuel R.)	1865	" Longmeadow.
Newell, Isabel P.	1865	" "
Newell, Addie Louise (wife Howard N.)	1885	
Netterfield, Elvira (wife W. W.)	1883	Grace M. E., City.
†Northrop, Mary Giles (wife Fred W.)	1882	North, New Haven, Ct.
Noyes, Mary A.	1877	" City.
Nutting, Alonzo }	1864	
Nutting, Louisa C. }	1864	1st Cong., W. Springfield.
Nutting, Herbert Hooker	1878	
Nye, Martha E. (wife Geo.)	1867	
Olmstead, Frank P.	1881	Cong., Windsor Locks, Ct.
Osborne, Mercy B. (w. N. H.)	1859	1st " West Springfield.
Packard, Azel Alonzo }	1878	
Packard, Mary Vilas }	1878	
†Parker, Wm. B.	1870	Cong., Greenville, Ct.
Parmalee, Elmira M. (w. Laban M.)	1869	Cong., Longmeadow.
Patterson, James N.	1883	1st Cong., Woodbridge, N. J.
Pease, Wm. A.	1866	
Pease, O. Edward }	1867	Cong., Granby.
Pease, Julia Maria }	1870	Bap., E. Longmeadow.
Pease, Emma Josephine	1878	
†Pease, Dr. Edmund Morris }	1870	14 St. Pres., N. Y.
†Pease, Harriet A. Sturtevant }	1874	1st Pres., Bordentown, N. J.
Missionaries A. B. C. F. M.		
Peckham, Louie A.	1884	
Pelton, Lemina P. (w. Wm. M.)	1872	1st Cong., Morrisiana, N. Y.
Perry, Oliver H.	1868	Cong., Southbridge.
†Perry, Eva Estella	1878	
Perry, William	1874	Trinitarian Cong., Templet'n.
Phelps, Elizabeth Cooley (w. Wm. J.)	1862	Trinity M. E., City.
Phillips, Chas. W.	1883	
Pierce, Priscilla E.	1880	Cong., Conway.
Pierce, Lizzie Amelia (wife Geo.)	1878	
Pierce, H. Minerva (w. H. M.)	1855	Salem St., Worcester.
Pinney, Oliver F.	1863	Cong., Spencer.
†Pirnie, Florence Pomeroy (wife Geo.)	1878	
Pomeroy, Charlotte (wife Julian)	1876	Pres., San Jose, Cal.
Pomeroy, Frances Ella (wife W. H.)	1884	
Pomeroy, Otis D.	1884	
Pomeroy, Jessie L.	1884	



†Pomeroy, Alanson B. }	1884	Cong., N. Becket.
†Pomeroy, Mary Elizabeth }	1884	" "
†Porter, Herbert P.	1867	1st Cong., Grafton, Ohio.
Pratt, Frank I.	1874	
Priest, Maria T.	1877	State Street Methodist, City.
Prouty, Caroline A. (w. Isaac W.)	1856	
Purple, Ellen M. (wife Wm. R.)	1871	Cong., Conway.
†Pynchon, Frances A. (w. Daniel)	1851	Cong., Mystic Bridge, Ct.
Rand, Mrs. Helen A. (wife J. J.)	1885	1st Cong., Pembroke, N. H.
†Randolph, Mary E. (wife Martin V.)	1876	
Rainger, H. Elizabeth (wife S. W.)	1880	
Ray, Samuel C.	1837	
Raymond, William N.	1883	
Reed, John S. }	1874	
Reed, Ruth H. }	1874	Trinity Methodist, City.
†Remington, Elizabeth D. (wife Jas. L.)	1867	
Rice, Lucy A. (w. Charles W.)	1867	Trinity Methodist, City.
Rice, Minnie Linda	1883	
†Rice, Delphine J. (wife Fred W.)	1876	
†Rice, Sarah M. (wife Henry)	1853	1st Cong., Enfield, Ct.
†Rice, Lizzie V.	1872	
†Rice, Frederick H.	1869	
Rice, Gertrude	1883	
Rice, Nancy W. Hill (wife A. R.)	1880	Olivet, City.
Rich, Henry F.	1883	1st Cong., Ware.
Richards, Phebe A. (w. W. H.)	1869	1st Cong., W. Springfield.
Richards, William Losea	1875	
Richardson, Harriet E. (w. Horace A.)	1864	
Richardson, Mary A.	1874	
Rickey, Margaret R. (wife James S.)	1874	
Riggs, Mary	1884	
Ring, Sophia H.	1873	
Robbins, J. Augustus	1875	S. and M. Cong., Boston.
Roberts, Gertrude W.	1883	
Roberts, Margaret (wife George)	1884	
Rockwell, Ruth A.	1873	
Rockwell, L. Clara	1883	
Rogers, Edward C. }	1858	
Rogers, Eliza B. Reynolds }	1855	
Rogers, Julia Covell	1884	
Rogers, Roxanna	1846	
Rollins, Francis J. }	1884	
Rollins, Ellen C. }	1884	
Rollins, Ida E.	1884	
Rood, Sadie E. (wife N. J.)	1884	



Rosenberg, Hattie F.	1884	
Ross, Henry L.	1872	Cong., W. Brookfield.
Rowland, Ellen P.	1840	
†Rugg, Ella Maria (wife John B.)	1878	
Russell, Charles Henry	1878	
Russell, Emma Julia	1884	
Sadler, William L.	1875	Cong., Warren.
Sackett, Cordelia Ann (wife Heman)	1878	
Sackett, ——— Conant (wife E. B.)	1878	
†Sargeant, Mary M. (w. Henry)	1855	South, City.
†Schaeffer, Paulina (wife Jacob)	1879	
Schmuck, Henrietta (wife Henry M.)	1872	
Shaw, Elisha F. }	1878	1st Cong., Sturbridge.
Shaw, Martha B. }	1878	“ “
Shaw, Fred O. }	1884	
Shaw, Ida R. }	1884	
Shepherd, Francis W. }	1871	North, City.
Shepherd, Adelia }	1871	“ “
Sherwin, Laura A. (wife of John H.)	1878	
Sherwood, Lucy Ann (wife Jas. H.)	1878	Cong., Lisbon, Ct.
Shillingford, Harry W. }	1870	
Shillingford, Josephine W. }	1874	
Shipley, Joseph L. }	1873	North Av. Cong., Cambridge.
Shipley, Margaret H. }	1873	“ “ “
Shurtleff, Sarah M. (wife R. G.)	1855	
Sibley, Lou M. (wife E. D.)	1884	
Simons, Charles L. }	1868	Olivet, City.
Simons, Sarah E. }	1868	“ “
†Simons, Arabella G. (wife James R.)	1862	North, New Haven, Ct.
Slate, Helen	1881	South, New Britain, Ct.
Smith, Charles H. }	1865	Russell, Hadley.
Smith, Elizabeth G. }	1871	Cong., W. Brookfield.
Smith, John M.	1866	1st Pres., Boston.
Smith, Eunice Brewer (w. David P.)	1844	
Smith, Avery J. }	1872	Pres. Memorial, New York.
Smith, Harriet M. }	1872	“ “ “
Smith, John E.	1874	
Smith, Mary (wife John)	1874	
Smith, Ellen (wife James O.)	1878	
Smith, George F.	1883	Cong., Florence.
†Sollace, Joseph Rowland	1878	
Spalter, Miss A. M.	1885	Cong., Saundersville.
Spear, Miss Linnie R.	1885	North, City.
Spencer, Betsey V. (w. C. S.)	1855	Cong., Sunderland.
Spooner, John C. }	1862	
Spooner, Eliza J. }	1862	



†Spooner, Rebecca (w. W. II)	1873	Arch St. Pres., Philadelphia.
Stackman, Mary E.	1882	1st Cong., Westfield.
Stackman, Henry	1884	
†Stacy, Henry E. }	1869	Cong., Huntington.
†Stacy, Almira E. }	1869	“ “
Stanley, Addie Augusta (wife W. F.)	1878	
Stanley, Emma A.	1884	
†Stanton, Pamela H. (wife Frank)	1867	
Stebbins, Nancy (w. Calvin)	1831	
Stebbins, Lucy Bartlett	1865	Cong., Longmeadow.
Stebbins, Mary G. Lewis	1878	
Steele, B. Frank }	1873	1st Cong., Leavensworth, Ks.
Steele, Emily F. }	1873	“ “
†Steisney, Kate A.	1867	
Stephenson, Lucy (w.)	1869	Union Cong., Greenfield, N.H.
†Stephenson, Margaret E.	1876	
†Stevens, Charlotte R. (wife Charles)	1863	
Stevens, Maria C. (w. Isaac)	1876	South, City.
Stevens, Maria C.	1876	South, City.
Stevens, Thomas E.	1878	North, City.
†Stewart, John P.	1871	Lutheran, Philadelphia, Pa.
†Stickney, Mary De F. Newell (w'e C. E.)	1878	
Stickney, Hattie E.	1883	
Stickney, Clara	1883	
†Stockbridge, Elizabeth S. (wife Levi)	1878	
†Stothard, Fanny B. (wife Capt. Thos.)	1865	
Strumwell, John }	1883	Evangelical, I. O.
Strumwell, Mary }	1883	“ “
Stuart, Anna Wight (w. Herbert)	1874	
Sullivan, Julia M.	1868	1st Cong., W. Springfield.
Swetland, Elizabeth H. (wife Eli)	1872	1st Pres., Middlefield, N. Y.
†Swetland, Louisa Quimby (wife E. P.)	1877	
†Swetland, Lot Quimby	1884	
†Taggard, Frederick Alonzo	1876	
†Taggard, Edward J.	1878	
Taylor, Lillie E.	1884	
Taylor, Henry Delano	1878	
Taylor, Louise R.	1884	1st Cong., West Springfield.
Terry, Louisa B. (wife Jabez C.)	1835	
Terry, Emma L.	1864	
†Thatcher, Lucy C.	1879	Cong., Lee.
Thomas, Louise W.	1884	4th Cong., Hartford, Ct.
†Thompson, Chas. Seymour }	1878	
†Thompson, Emma Louisa }	1878	1st Cong., Bridgeport, Ct.
†Tiffany, Avis M.	1875	Cong., Ware.



Tileston, Augusta	1867	
†Tingle, Mary L. Kingsley (wife A. K.)	1860	
Tourtelotte, Bella Charlotte (wife M. L.)	1878	South, City.
Tower, Mary (w. Edward)	1869	1st Cong., Chicopee.
Tower, Frank W. }	1874	
Tower, Winona A. }	1874	
Townsley, Eunice A. (w. H. L.)	1867	
Tulley, Sarah	1856	South, City.
Tulley, Elizabeth L.	1856	" "
Turner, Jennie F.	1883	
Turner, Mary C. (wife Geo. W.)	1883	2d Cong., Westfield.
Tuttle, Phebe Ann (w. Lemuel)	1876	
Tuttle, Henry Augustus	1878	
Tuttle, Alice L.	1884	
Tyler, Mary (w.)	1884	Cong., Stafford Springs, Ct.
Tyler, Jno. B. }	1884	" " " "
Tyler, Celia A. }	1884	" " " "
†Tyler, Hattie Estella	1878	
Vaille, Sarah W. L. (w. H. R.)	1850	2d Cong., Walpole.
†Vaille, Thos. P.	1864	
Van Bergen, Ann E. (w.)	1877	Cong., Haydenville.
Vilas, Fannie Maynard	1883	
Vose, Mary D. (wife Gilman O.)	1865	1st Cong., Westfield.
Waite, Julius Edson }	1876	
Waite, Ella Wight }	1870	
Waite, Susan A.	1874	
Walcott, Mary Ann (w. Henry)	1878	
Walcott, Fannie E.	1878	2d Cong., Holyoke.
†Walker, Everett W.	1850	North, City.
Walker, Margaret	1850	" "
†Walker, Elizabeth C. (wife W. H.)	1850	
Walker, Francis C. }	1870	
Walker, Mary E. }	1871	North, City.
†Walker, Fanny P. (w. Asa M.)	1869	Cong., Belchertown.
Wallace, Andrew Brabner }	1879	Olivet, City.
Wallace, Madora C. Vaille }	1872	
†Wallace, Lucy Ann (w. Henry D.)	1842	Cong., Saratoga Spr'gs, N.Y.
†Wardwell, Mary E. Taggard	1875	
Ware, Addison P. }	1861	
Ware, Sarah Bliss }	1861	
Warner, Mary L. (wife Alfred A.)	1867	
Warner, Walter H. }	1874	
Warner, Hattie J. Cooley }	1871	
Warriner, Elizabeth L. (w. Lewis)	1850	South, City.
Warriner, Orpha A. (wife Jno. M.)	1850	



Warriner, Stephen C. }	1871	Cong., Warren.
Warriner, Ida M. }	1884	
Watson, Ruema C. Call (wife A. H.)	1873	
Washburn, Silvia Briggs (wife E. G.)	1878	
Webber, Joseph T. }	1857	Cong., Monson.
Webber, Lavinia B. }	1857	" "
†Weeks, Charles Potter	1878	
Welch, Emma J. (wife L. T.)	1883	Cong., South Norwalk, Ct.
Wells, Sarah A. (wife J. F.)	1885	" Homer, N. Y.
†Wetherill, Electa (wife Geo.)	1869	
Wheat, Wm. George }	1878	
Wheat, Clara L. }	1878	St. Paul's Epis., Holyoke.
Wheelock, Alice Adell (wife C. A.)	1878	
Wheelock, Anna W.	1880	1st Cong., So. Hadley Falls.
†Whipple, Frank H.	1873	
Whitcomb, Mary A. (wife C. S.)	1864	
White, James W.	1876	Pres., Lawton, Mich.
White, Maria L. (w. Wm. H.)	1871	
†Whittemore, Martha A. (w. Chas. R.)	1868	1st Cong., West Springfield.
†Whittemore, Chas. Lewis	1872	
Wight, Emerson	1848	Cong., Sturbridge.
Wight, Ann Eliza (w. Aaron)	1866	
Wight, Lizzie M.	1874	
Wilcox, Mary M. (w. E. H.)	1874	Memorial, City.
Wildes, Arthur S. }	1883	
Wildes, Elizabeth F. }	1883	
†Willey, Anna A.	1866	
Willard, Jennie Mabel	1878	
Willard, Mary Roberts (wife Martin A.)	1865	
Williams, Albert P.	1878	
Williams, Sophronia	1878	2d Cong., Holyoke.
Williams, Minna (w. Peter)	1878	
Williams, Charles Washington	1878	
†Williams, Sarah (w.)	1870	
Williams, Clara M.	1883	
Willis, Charles	1884	
Winans, Carrie J. R. (wife N. A.)	1867	Trinity M. E., City.
†Winchester, Wm. R.	1884	
†Winter, Mrs. May L.	1885	1st Ch. of Christ, Fair Haven.
Withey, May B.	1884	
Witt, Chas. A.	1884	
Wolcott, Edmund R. }	1867	Cong., Feeding Hills.
Wolcott, Elizabeth B. }	1867	" " "
Wolcott, Lois J.	1874	
Wood, Mary (wife Lyman)	1867	North, City.
Wood, Samuel A. }	1871	" "
Wood, Harriet }	1871	" "



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Wood, Harriet S.	1871	North, City.
Woods, Jonathan B. }	1869	Cong., Belchertown.
Woods, Harriet N. }	1869	" "
Worden, Hiram	1870	1st Cong., Westfield.
Worthington, Matilda W. (wife S.)	1883	Memorial, City.
Wright, Mary J.	1856	
Young, Jane Rice (wife W. H. A.)	1851	
Young, Estella C. Nichols (wife Geo. S.)	1878	

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Within thy borders still be peace,  
And on the souls that pray for thee!  
Thy gates forever open be;  
And through the years thy strength increase!







LIST OF ALL THE MEMBERS  
OF THE  
FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST IN  
SPRINGFIELD

From the Year 1735 to the Year 1885.

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“One army of the living God,  
To His command we bow ;  
Part of the host have crossed the flood,  
And part are crossing now.”







## WILLIAM PYNCHON—1636.

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BY THEO. W. ELLIS.

THAT the First Church of Christ and the city of Springfield should both owe their foundation to one individual, is noteworthy ; and it is a matter of honest pride and grateful remembrance that this one man, on account of his lofty Christian character, is justly entitled to the lasting reverence of the church ; and likewise for his kindly and efficient government of the infant settlement, is equally entitled to the enduring regard of the city.

The Hon. Col. William Pynchon came to America in 1630. He was one of the first patentees of the Colony of Massachusetts, and at one time treasurer of it. He was the son of John Pynchon, of Springfield, Writtle, Essex County, England, and grandson of Nicholas Pynchon, of Wales, sheriff of London in 1532. On his arrival in America, William Pynchon settled in Roxbury, and about 1636 removed to this place. He selected the site of Springfield, brought hither his own family of three daughters and one son (John, then about 15 years of age), also one son-in-law, and shortly afterwards another son-in-law (Holyoke) was added. These, with a few associates, commenced the settlement of what is now known as Springfield. It was the day of small things, but the place grew steadily, and Pynchon remained until the ground had been cleared, houses built, defences established, the church erected (in 1646), laws in operation, and the community in full process of development under regular organization. In all these undertakings he was the originator and financial backer ; as well as the administrator of justice for the infant colony. He was the preëminent merchant, magistrate, and scholar of Springfield, and the most influential resident of the place during his time. All the records bring into necessary prominence his enterprise, energy, and capacity ; but no account of him can do justice to the pioneer of Springfield which fails to emphasize his Christian character, the tender spirit, the strict conscientiousness, and the very devout piety of this Christian gentleman. The confidence which his neighbors reposed in his sanctified talents is exhibited in their readiness to appoint him to minister from the sacred



desk of the First Church of Christ. To him and to his children, the Mohawk chiefs, when asking to be treated with by his renowned grandson, made this noble reference : " And as to Col. Pynchon in particular, they urged their acquaintance with his ancestors, and their experience of their integrity."

Unfortunately, as it turned out, his scholarship ran into abstruse and polemical theology, and having published (in 1650) his thoughts in a volume on the nature of redemption, justification, etc., which sundry of the high and mighty lords, spiritual and temporal, of Boston did not find to be in accord with their own opinions, he was at once denounced as a heretic. To be thus denounced by the magnates of the church (with the State behind them) carried weighty consequences in those days, as there were the severest statutes against " broaching and maintaining any damnable heresy." Mr. Pynchon was " labored with," was formally answered, and then his arguments were conclusively refuted by the public executioner in the burning of his work in the market place of Boston, while the General Court stripped the author of his position and dignities. To save himself from additional and more pressing attentions of this sort, he wisely concluded to put the Atlantic between himself and the worshipful potentates of Boston, and returning to England in 1652, died there in 1661. Peace to his ashes.

Happily his family were not involved in the liabilities attaching to this theological treatise of 440 pages, and they inherited the virtues, exerted the influence, and wielded the authority of their father. And the First Church, and also the settlement of Springfield, were again equally favored under the rule, devoutness, and bravery of his son, the " Worshipful " Major John Pynchon, who married Amy, daughter of Gov. Wyllys of Hartford, and, after a life of great usefulness, died in 1703. No better illustration of the Christian character of this successor can be furnished than the following extract of a letter written by him immediately after the burning of Springfield, to his son Joseph, who happily for himself was then in England : " My barns and outhousing are all burnt down and all my corne and hay consumed, and not anything have I left of food either for man or beast ; and all my mills, both corne and saw-mills, are burned, so that I am really reduced to graite straits." But he adds : " O dear son, how sweet is an interest in Christ Jesus in these distracting tymes."

The successors of the aforementioned servants of Christ were very prominent men, holding church, civil, military, and judicial offices ;



and highly esteemed, not only in the First Church in Springfield, but throughout all this vicinity. Dr. Joseph C. Pynchon and William Pynchon of this city are lineal descendants of these worthies in the eighth generation.

I follow them no further, however, as my only object has been to draw attention to these honored fathers as historic exemplars of the power of a living faith in Christ. It seemed hardly fitting that this record of the ancient church should go forth without brief reference to these shining members of it, whose fervent piety was their most conspicuous characteristic, and remains the best inheritance of their successors and of the church.



## SAMUEL CHAPIN.

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Deacon of the First Church of Christ in Springfield, and sometimes "carrying forward the Sabbath services" in the absence of other supply.

BY THE COMPILER.

A STATUE commemorative of this ancient church-worthy is soon to embellish Court Square. The Deacon's well-recognized Christian character, and the responsible offices conferred upon him by his fellow citizens, justify the distinction. If the statue shall occupy the site lately designated in front of the First Church, it will stand on the spot covered by the original First Church meeting-house of 1646, within whose walls Deacon Samuel Chapin worshiped and officiated more than two and one-third centuries ago.

The Morgan statue represents one of the early settlers of Springfield with hoe in hand and musket on shoulder ;—fitting symbols of the hard work and soldierly vigilance required of the fathers. The Chapin statue (to be erected) may well represent an early settler equally equipped for labor and defence ; but something additional is necessary to clearly indicate that this noted freeman of blameless repute walked by faith in the invisible; was made free, not so much by the State as by the truth, became not only an honest toiler in these valley fields, but, nobler than that, "a laborer together with God"; and enduring manfully the privations of a pioneer settler, added this crowning moral heroism that he "endured hardship as a good soldier of Jesus Christ."



## The Membership.

*A transcript from the "Records of the Acts of the first chh In Springfield begining Jan<sup>ry</sup> 27<sup>th</sup> 1735-6 p<sup>r</sup> me R. Breck."*

### NOTE BY COMPILER.

THIS earliest Record-book of the First Church in Springfield, commenced by Pastor Breck, embraces all the admissions to the church, baptisms, marriages and deaths from 1735 to 1809, and is accurate and complete. The noticeable fact concerning it is that the minister who commenced the book in 1735, made every entry in it with his own hand for forty-nine years, or until 1784. It is written with care and distinctness, and in excellent style; and is perhaps the most extended colonial record by a single writer which has been preserved. It may be due to the descendants of those who settled the town of Springfield and adjacent villages, that this ancient record, exact in all its names and dates, should be printed entire: the following transcript only furnishes the admissions to the membership of this Church. The few dates which follow are preliminary to this record.

- 1620 Landing of the Mayflower and settlement of Plymouth.
- 1635 Settlement of Springfield by emigrants from Roxbury.
- 1636 Compact of the Springfield settlers May 14<sup>th</sup> which contains this declaration, "1stly Wee intend by God's grace, as soon as we can, with all convenient speede to procure some Godly and faithfull Minister, with whome we propose to joyne in church covenant to walk in all the ways of Christ."
- 1637 "1<sup>st</sup> Church of Christ" organized, and, in due time Rev<sup>d</sup> Geo. Moxon secured as Pastor.
- 1646 The Meeting House finished this year.
- 1652 Rev<sup>d</sup> Geo. Moxon dismissed at his own request.
- 1661 Rev<sup>d</sup> Peletiah Glover settled.
- 1672 Number of qualified voters in town 71.
- 1675 Springfield burned by the Indians October 5<sup>th</sup> of this year: and as "the minister's house with a well-furnished library" was burned with the other houses, doubtless the few records of the First church added to the light and warmth of that occasion.
- 1692 Died the Rev<sup>d</sup> Peletiah Glover.
- 1694 Rev<sup>d</sup> Daniel Brewer settled.



1733 Died the Revd Daniel Brewer.

1735 The author of the following Record, Revd Robt Breck, began his work. Ordained in Jan'y 1736, and in April 1736 married Eunice the daughter of his predecessor Revd Danl Brewer.

"Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints."

"A LIST OF THE MEMBERS OF THE FIRST CHURCH IN SPRINGFIELD IN  
JAN'RY 1735

*Deacon Nathl Mun	Elisha Chapin
*Deacon Henry Burt & wife*	Esther, Daughter of Thomas Chapin
*Wm Warriner & wife*	Dismissed to 1st Chh in Hadley
Elizabeth & Martha Daughters of Wm Warriner	*Wm Saunderson
*Luke Hitchcock & wife	*Capt Merrick's wife
*Danl Parsons his wife	*Widow Hitchcock
*Jno Worthenton & wife	*Widow Ingersole
Nathl Brewer, afterwards chosen Deacon	*Jno Ferry
*Joseph Williston	*Jno Harmon's wife
*Joseph Williston, Junr	Widow Bliss
Luke Hitchcock 2nd and wife*	Widow Bliss
Josiah Chapin	*Increase Sikes
Nathl Mun Junr recommended to Monson	*Ebenr Warriner's wife
*Ebenr Stebbins	*Joseph Ashley
*Jno Hitchcock and wife*	*Simon Smith
Ebenr Morgan	*Samll Warner & wife
*Henry Chapin	*Benja Knowlton's wife
*Benj Chapin & wife*	Nathl Hitchcock dismissed to ye Mountains
*The Wife of Henry Wright	*Noah Alvord's wife dismissed to ye Mountains
*Widow Hannah Chapin	*Cornelius Webb; wife"
*Thomas Chapin & wife	*Peletiah Bliss his wife
*David Chapin & wife and Daughter	*Coll. Wm Pynchons wife
*Jonath. Chapin & wife	*Jno Miller's wife
Japhet Chapin & wife	*Widow White
*Abel Chapin	*Joseph Warriner
David Chapin, Junr Dismissed to Springfield Mountains	*Wm Bliss his wife
	*Gershom Ferry



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 AN ACCOUNT OF THOSE ADMITTED TO FULL COMMUNION WITH THE FIRST  
CHURCH IN SPRINGFIELD BEGINNING JANUARY 27<sup>th</sup> 1735-6

1736

- John Stebbins Jun<sup>r</sup>
- March 21<sup>st</sup> Huldah Lamb Dismiss'd & Reccomended to ye first chh In  
Seabrook  
Sarah Warner  
Miriam Knowlton Reccomended to Springf'd Mountains  
Mary ye wife of Ebenezer Hitchcock  
Mercy ye wife of Increase Sikes Jun<sup>r</sup>  
Mercy ye wife of James Burt
- May 9<sup>th</sup> Mercy ye wife of Benja Warriner. Dismiss'd and Reccomended  
to Springfd Mountains  
Mercy ye wife of Aaron Parsons Dismiss'd and Reccomended  
to Springfd Mountains  
Mary ye Daughter of Deacon Burt Dismiss'd and Reccomended  
to Brimfield  
Ann ye Daughter of Deacon Mun Reccomended to ye 2<sup>nd</sup>  
chh in N. Hampton  
Sarah ye Daughter of Will<sup>m</sup> Pynchon Esq
- May 16<sup>th</sup> Mary ye Daughter of Sam<sup>l</sup> Warriner being dismiss'd from ye  
chh of Northfield and reccomended to us—Since dismiss'd  
and reccomended to Springfd Mountains  
Benja Knowlton
- July 11<sup>th</sup> Margaret ye Daughter of Will<sup>m</sup> Bliss Reccomended to the  
chh in Granville  
Sarah ye Daughter of Joseph Warriner
- “ 18<sup>th</sup> Thomas Stebbins  
Hannah ye wife of Joseph Williston  
Rachel ye Daughter of Eben Lombard Dismiss'd and rec-  
comended to Springfd Mountains  
Rachel ye wife of Eben Lombard
- Sept 12<sup>h</sup> Experience White ye Daughter of Widow White  
Desire ye Daughter of Sam<sup>l</sup> Warner Dismiss'd and recco-  
mended to ye 1<sup>st</sup> chh in Middletown  
Margaret ye wife Jon<sup>th</sup> Stevenson being dismiss'd from ye  
2<sup>nd</sup> chh in Springfield and reccomended to us
- Nov 21<sup>st</sup> Jonathan Chapin Jun<sup>r</sup>  
Widow Abigail Parsons
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*A List of Those W<sup>o</sup> Have Own'd the Cov<sup>t</sup>*

- Mar 28<sup>th</sup> David Jones and wife  
Jonath<sup>n</sup> Bartlet and wife
- April 11<sup>th</sup> Jonath<sup>n</sup> Pierce  
18<sup>th</sup> J<sup>n</sup><sup>o</sup> Burt Jun<sup>r</sup> and wife



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	25th	Sarah Thomas
		Elizabeth Taylor
May	20th	Abigail the wife of Thomas Foot
July	1st	Sam <sup>ll</sup> Sikes Jun <sup>r</sup>
		Jn <sup>o</sup> Miller Jun <sup>r</sup>
		The wife of Jn <sup>o</sup> Crowfoot
	11th	John Crowfoot Jun <sup>r</sup>
	18th	Elizabeth Vanhorn
	25th	David Warriner
Octobr	17th	Sam <sup>ll</sup> Terry and wife
		Eunice y <sup>e</sup> Daughter of Jonath Chapin
		Deborah y <sup>e</sup> " " Thomas Chapin
	24th	Miriam y <sup>e</sup> " " Jehosadah Bartlet
	31st	The wife of Isaac Chapin
		Martha Kellogg y <sup>e</sup> Daughter of y <sup>e</sup> Widow Kellogg
Nov	28th	Submit Horton y <sup>e</sup> Daughter of Thomas Horton
Decbr	26th	Dinah a negro servant to Mr Marshfield



## “Owning the Covenant.”

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### NOTE BY THE COMPILER.

DIFFICULTIES originating in connection with the ordinance of Infant Baptism, with perhaps some admixture of political considerations, appear to have given rise to the so-called “Half-way covenant.” The elective franchise pertained in those early days to church members exclusively, and church members were strictly enjoined to present their infant children for baptism. Both church and State needed the rising generation; but as many who had been baptized in infancy were indisposed in their riper years to unite with the church, the children of these persons were liable to be lost both to the church and the voting element—the State. Hence the bars were lowered to accommodate this difficulty, to secure greater numbers, and to save to the colonial church the descendants of Christian forefathers. Those, therefore, who had been baptized in infancy but who did not as adults become the subjects of regenerating grace, were allowed and enjoined to become partial members of the church upon the simple fact of their having understanding of the doctrines of the church and “owning” (assenting to) “the covenant before the church.” After such initiation the infants in the families of half-way covenanters were, of course, to be baptized into the church; and by logical sequence it came to pass that Christian faith in its initial stage (in the absence of positive evidence to the contrary,) was presumed in the case of every one who had been baptized in infancy. This ecclesiastical expedient, stoutly opposed in the beginning, was eventually formulated and established by a council or synod at Boston. In its practical working it occasioned serious trouble throughout the churches, and after more than a century’s trial and experience of its evils, the innovation was universally abandoned. The practice does not seem to have run to its extremest lengths in the First Church, nor to have occasioned such deplorable results here as were charged to it elsewhere; and it is pleasant to note that it appears to have declined in this body earlier than in the neighboring churches.



## 1737

- Janry 9 Hannah ye wife of Benja Sikes  
 12 Hannah Bartlet being reccomended to us from ye 2<sup>nd</sup> chh in  
 Springfield  
 James Burt reccomended to the chh in Granville  
 Thankfull Sikes widow Dismiss'd and reccomended to Somars  
 March 13 Elizabeth ye wife of Henry Wright Jun<sup>r</sup>  
 Bathsheba Chapin ye Daughter of Thomas Chapin being dis-  
 miss'd from ye first chh in Hadley and reccomended to us  
 Isaac Brewer being reccomended to us by the chh of Welling-  
 ton Dismiss'd and reccomended to ye Mountains  
 June 3 Hannah Chapin the wife of Abel Chapin } being reccomended to  
 Sarah Chapin the Daughter of Thomas } us by the chh at South  
 Chapin } Hadley  
 Abigall the wife of Benja Dorchester reccomended to the chh  
 in Ellington  
 Jemima Mun the Daughter of Deacon Mun  
 Octo 30 Mary the wife of — Warner  
 Thankfull the Daughter of Joseph Burt Reccomended to ye  
 chh in ye East precinct
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- Jan 9 Esther the wife of Dan<sup>ll</sup> Parsons Jun<sup>r</sup>  
 Mar 6 Mary ye “ “ Joseph Stebbins  
 13 Jonathan Chapin of Kingstown and his wife  
 27 Joseph Stebbins  
 Anna the wife of Jn<sup>o</sup> Hancocks  
 Octob 30 Benja Horton Jun<sup>r</sup> and his wife

## 1738

- May 4 Aaron Hitchcock being reccomended by the chh at Westfield  
 Since Dismiss'd to ye chh in Suff'd  
 Aug 3 Charles Brewer  
 Thomas Crowfoot  
 Decem 3 Thomas Ferry
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- March 29 George Pynchon  
 July 1 Anna Hitchcock  
 Augt 12 Sam<sup>ll</sup> Hitchcock and wife  
 October 1 Nathanael Chapin and his wife

## 1739

- April 8 Jn<sup>o</sup> Harmon  
 Hannah the wife of Joseph Warriner  
 June 14 Rachel the wife of Elisha Ferry being reccomended to us by the  
 chh of Southington  
 August 26 Mercy the wife of Thomas Horton Reccomended to ye chh in  
 Houssatonnoc  
 October 4 Moses Warriner Reccomended to ye chh in the East precinct  
 Springfield



## 1740

- Mar 2 Sam<sup>l</sup> Marshfield Esq  
 May 4 Jedediah Bliss  
 Mary Wright reccomended to Mr Hopkins' chh  
 Benja Sikes  
 July 13 Jacob Hitchcock being reccomended to us from the 2nd chh  
 At Boston  
 Mary the wife of Jn<sup>o</sup> Horton  
 Eunice Breck

NOTE BY COMPILER: The record on the stone in the cemetery is as follows: "Mrs Eunice Breck the Virtuous Consort of the Revd Robert Breck and daughter of the Revd Daniel Brewer was born May 28 A D 1707 and died Augt 12 1767, and here lies interr'd.

Oh could we die with those yt die  
 And place us in their Stead  
 Then would our Spirits learn to fly  
 And converse with the Dead"

- Sept 7 Capt Jn<sup>o</sup> Merrick  
 Nov 2 James Warriner & His Wife

- Janry 6 Elizabeth the wife of Timothy Bliss  
 April 6<sup>th</sup> Timothy Bliss  
 May 18 Miriam Sikes

## 1741

- Jan 4<sup>th</sup> Abigail the Daughter of Jn<sup>o</sup> Hitchcock Junr Reccomended  
 to y<sup>e</sup> chh In Brimfd  
 Febry 15<sup>th</sup> Eunice the wife of Mr Jn<sup>o</sup> Norton Reccomended to y<sup>e</sup> chh  
 In Fall Town  
 May 10<sup>th</sup> Elizabeth Van Horn  
 Sept 6<sup>th</sup> Benja Knowlton Junr  
 Hannah the wife of Jonath<sup>n</sup> Morgan  
 Widow Deborah Stebbins  
 Silence the Daughter of Lewt Jn<sup>o</sup> Burt Reccomended to  
 y<sup>e</sup> 2nd chh in Windsor  
 Nov 1st Jn<sup>o</sup> Lamb Junr  
 Benja Colton Junr  
 George Mygate  
 Abner Hitchcock  
 Nath<sup>l</sup> Olds  
 Luke Hitchcock 4<sup>th</sup> Since reccomended to the chh in Granville  
 Mary the wife of Thomas Stebbins  
 Elisabeth the wife of Sam<sup>l</sup> Marshfield  
 Nov 1st Abigail the Daughter of Jonath. Morgan  
 Susanna Selby Reccomended to the 2nd chh in East Had-  
 dam  
 Hannah the Daughter of Benja Dorchester  
 Margaret the Daughter of Joseph Burt



- Dec 27<sup>th</sup> Gideon Morgan  
 Sam<sup>ll</sup> Chapin Jun<sup>r</sup>  
 Benoni Chapin  
 Miriam Hitchcock y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Jn<sup>o</sup> Hitchcock Jun<sup>r</sup>  
 Martha y<sup>e</sup> Daughter of Thomas Ferry Jun<sup>r</sup>  
 Luke Bliss and his wife Reccomended from y<sup>e</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> chh In  
 Springfield  
 Abner Ely Reccomended from y<sup>e</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> chh In Springf<sup>d</sup> Since  
 Reccomended to Middletown  
 Moses Bliss Reccomended from y<sup>e</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> chh In Springfield
- Dec 31 Edward Chapin  
 Abigail the wife of Jacob Hitchcock  
 Hannah Holton  
 Ann Chapin y<sup>e</sup> daughter of Sam<sup>ll</sup> Chapin  
 Mr Edward Pynchon Reccomended from y<sup>e</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> chh In  
 Springfield  
 Dorcas y<sup>e</sup> wife of Obadiah Cooley Reccomended from y<sup>e</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup>  
 chh In Springfield
- April 19 Zechariah Warner & wife
- July 26 Preserved White & wife  
 Nath<sup>ll</sup> Olds
- August 2<sup>nd</sup> Rowland Thomas
- 30 Bristol A Negro Serv<sup>t</sup> of Mrs Pynchon
- Oct<sup>br</sup> 18 Moses Wright & wife

NOTE BY COMPILER: Additions this year, 68—males 23, females 45.

1742

- Jan<sup>ry</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> Sarah the wife of Nath<sup>ll</sup> Chapin  
 Hannah y<sup>e</sup> Daughter of Joseph Warriner Reccomended to  
 the chh In S. Hadley
- March 3<sup>rd</sup> Henry Chapin Jun<sup>r</sup> Dismiss'd to the 1<sup>st</sup> chh in Hartford  
 Pelatiah Bliss Jun<sup>r</sup> “ “ “ Suffield  
 Margaret Chapin Daughter of Henry Chapin  
 Abigail Chapin } Daughters of Benja<sup>a</sup> Chapin  
 Mary Chapin }  
 Catharine Warner Daughter of Sam<sup>ll</sup> Warner  
 Sarah Hitchcock “ “ David Hitchcock of Brim-  
 field  
 Rebecca Chapin Daughter of Jonath<sup>n</sup> Chapin Reccomended  
 to the chh in Somers  
 Jonath<sup>n</sup> Church Dismiss'd from L. Meadow chh Since chosen  
 Deacon  
 Edward Bliss Dismiss'd from y<sup>e</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> chh In Springf<sup>d</sup> Rec-  
 comended to y<sup>e</sup> chh in Western
- 7 Esther Horton  
 Jn<sup>o</sup> Chapin Jun<sup>r</sup> dismiss'd from L. Meadow chh  
 Thankfull Burt the wife of Joseph Burt Dismiss'd from L.  
 Meadow chh



April 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Rachel the wife of Jedediah Bliss	
“ 29 <sup>th</sup>	Anna the wife of Benj Chapin Jun <sup>r</sup>	
	Elizabeth the Daughter of Jonath. Chapin	
	Sarah the Daughter of Nath <sup>l</sup> Mun Jun <sup>r</sup>	
	Thankfull the Daughter of Japhet Chapin	
May 16	John Chapin & his Wife	} dismiss'd from ye 2 <sup>nd</sup> chh In Springfd and reccom- ended to us Reccomended to the chh in ye East precinct
	The Wife of Henry Chapin	
	The Wife of Pelatiah Hitchcock	
	The Wife of Moses Warriner ..	
June 27 <sup>th</sup>	Miriam the Daughter of Dan <sup>l</sup> Parsons	
	Mary the Daughter of Thomas Terry Jun <sup>r</sup>	
August 29 <sup>th</sup>	Jn <sup>o</sup> Hitchcock 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Reccomended to the chh of ye East pre- cinct Springfd
	Deborah Wright the Daughter of Henry Wright	
	Deborah Chapin Daughter of Thomas Chapin	Reccomended to ye chh In Hatfield
	Rebeckah the Wife of Doct Jonathan Bliss	Dismiss'd from ye 1 <sup>st</sup> chh In Windsor
Octbr 3 <sup>rd</sup>	The Wife of Benja Colton	
	The Wife of Abner Ely	
17 <sup>th</sup>	Mr Jn <sup>o</sup> Worthenton Jun <sup>r</sup>	Tutor of Yale College
Janry 24 <sup>th</sup>	Jn <sup>o</sup> Brooks Jun <sup>r</sup>	
31 <sup>st</sup>	Frank Negro Serv <sup>t</sup> of Jn <sup>o</sup> Mun	
Febry 4 <sup>th</sup>	Rebekhah the Wife of Jn <sup>o</sup> Brooks	
Dec 12 <sup>th</sup>	Sam <sup>l</sup> Mun & Wife	

## 1743

Sep 25	Mr Josiah Dwight	Reccomended by ye chh of Hatfield Since chosen Deacon
	Miriam Chapin	Reccomended by ye chh at South Hadley
Nov 13	Joseph Burt	
Sept 9 <sup>th</sup>	Jacob Cooley	
Oct 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Aaron Stebbins	

## 1744

May 6 <sup>th</sup>	Margaret the Wife of Cornelius Jones	Reccomended by ye 2 <sup>nd</sup> chh In Springfield
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Janry 1 <sup>st</sup>	Abigail the Wife of Gideon Prat	
April 8 <sup>th</sup>	George Chapin	
22 <sup>nd</sup>	Moses Mirick and Wife	
July 8 <sup>th</sup>	Benja Wright	

## 1745

Febry 24 <sup>th</sup>	Jn <sup>o</sup> Hitchcock Jun <sup>r</sup>	
Sept 5 <sup>th</sup>	Luke Hitchcock 3 <sup>rd</sup>	



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Nov 3rd Sarah Wife of Jonath<sup>n</sup> Chapin Jun<sup>r</sup> Reccomended from ye 1st  
chh In Wallingford

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April 14th Joseph Ashley & Wife  
Sept 2nd Wm Bliss  
Jn<sup>o</sup> Hancock Jun<sup>r</sup> & Wife  
8th James Warriner Jun<sup>r</sup>  
Oct 6th Jacob White & Wife  
Dec 22nd Joseph Kellogg

1746

Janry 5th Joanna Wife of Sam<sup>ll</sup> Brooks  
June 29th Abigail ye wife of Luke Hitchcock 3rd Reccomended to us  
by ye chh at Kensington  
Nov 2nd Sarah the wife of Sam<sup>ll</sup> Worthenton

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April 13 Stephen Wright  
Oct 26th Sam<sup>ll</sup> Worthenton

1747

Janry 2nd Mr Caleb Hitchcock  
Sept 3rd Widow Sarah Goodman Reccomended to Mr Lothrop's chh

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Janry 4th Dan<sup>ll</sup> Wright  
June 7th Martha Hitchcock  
Sept 6th Eben<sup>r</sup> Warriner & wife  
Nov 22 Elisha Wright  
" Noah Williston

1748

June 26th Sarah the Wife of Joseph Warriner Reccomended by ye 1st  
chh in Marifield

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" " Hezekiah Warriner & wife  
August 28th George Wright & wife  
Oct 23rd Moses Wells

1749

April 23rd Noah Williston Minister of West Haven  
Nov 5th Benja Mirick

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Janry 29 Joseph Ferre & wife  
April 23 Ami wife of Moses Wells  
June 11th Charles Colton & wife  
Dec 3rd Eliezear Chapin & wife

NOTE BY COMPILER: " 450 souls within the bounds of the parish " in 1749.



## 1750

April 8 <sup>th</sup>	Rachel the wife of Moses Bliss reccomended by the chh at L. Meadow
June 17 <sup>th</sup>	Robert Hassard & his wife dismiss'd from the chh in Blandford & reccomended to us by the 2 <sup>nd</sup> chh in Windsor
July 29 <sup>th</sup>	Jonath Olds and wife
“ “	Jerusha Jones
August 5 <sup>th</sup>	Sam <sup>ll</sup> Burt and wife
“ 12 <sup>th</sup>	Jonath Morgan Jun <sup>r</sup>
Dec 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Thomas Stebbins Jun <sup>r</sup> and wife

NOTE BY COMPILER: This year a new church building was erected 60x46 with tower. This building stood a little east of the present church, with the entrance east—seats square—the small boy was accommodated in the aisles; pulpit high with sounding board. Below this pulpit the deacons sat facing the congregation. If any hearer became drowsy or indifferent, his devout attention was speedily recalled by a gentle hint from the tithingman's pole. Our gallinaceous bird on the spire of the present building (erected in 1819) is the same gilded chancicleer which adorned the building of 1750. This was the third church building.

## 1751

Jan <sup>ry</sup> 20 <sup>th</sup>	Eben <sup>r</sup> Hitchcock
“ “	Stephen Warriner
“ “	Martha Old
Mar 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Mercy wife of Stephen Warriner
July 7 <sup>th</sup>	Joseph Burt
“ “	Hannah Daughter of Benja <sup>a</sup> Sikes
“ “	Rachel wife of Gideon Morgan reccomended by ye chh at Enfield
Sept 1 <sup>st</sup>	Mary Daughter of Born Vanhorn
June 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Jabes Hancocks and wife

NOTE BY COMPILER: “Inhabitants of Upper Chickabee” desired to be set off as a parish; of the 50 petitioners (males) exactly one-half were Chapins.

## 1752

Jan <sup>ry</sup> 5 <sup>th</sup>	Joseph Warriner
August 16 <sup>th</sup>	Miriam wife of Capt Elisha Chapin
Nov 26 <sup>th</sup>	Joseph Williston
Oct 4	Mary wife of Joseph Williston

## 1753

March 4 <sup>th</sup>	Mr Jn <sup>o</sup> Hooker Since Dismiss'd to Northampton
“ “	James Sikes and wife
“ “	Silence wife of Sam <sup>ll</sup> Bliss
Nov 4 <sup>th</sup>	Martha wife of Jonath Wright



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Janry 14 Jonath Wright and wife  
 28 Wm Hancocks and wife  
 " Ruth Daughter of Deacon Jonath Church  
 Febr'y 18th Robert Wright  
 April 8th Jabez Cooley  
 May 20th Abigail wife of Jabez Cooley  
 August 5th Reuben Bliss and Elisabeth his wife  
 Sept 2nd Medad Saunderson and Sarah his wife

## 1754

July 21st Ebenr Warner  
 " " Sarah Worthington  
 " " Widow Mercy Horton reccomended to us by 2nd chh In Shef-  
 field  
 August 25th Joseph Ferre  
 " " Danll Burt and Margaret his wife  
 Sept 8th Hannah Daughter of Jno Morgan  
 Oct 13th Moses Bliss Student at Yale College (chosen Deacon)  
 " " Mary Bond  
 " " Widow Hannah Glover dismiss'd from 1st chh Hartford  
 Dec 29th Ebenr Stebbins 3rd and Hannah his wife  
 " " Miriam Sexton  
 " " Benja Wait and Abigail his wife dismiss'd from L. Meadow

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May 12th Josiah Hitchcock  
 June 30th Jno Warner and Margaret his wife  
 " " George Hitchcock and Hannah his wife  
 Nov 17th Mercy Day

Note by compiler: Total additions 21; males 9, females 12

## 1755

Janry 12th Ruth wife of Samll Mears  
 " " Rachel " " Preserved White  
 " " Phoebe " " Thomas Stebbins Junr  
 Febr'y 3rd Ebenr Burt and wife  
 " " Comfort Barns  
 March 2nd John Hancock  
 July 17th Hepzibah wife of Stephen Warriner reccomended by L.  
 Meadow chh  
 Oct 5th Danll Hancock and wife  
 26th Mercy Daughter of Jonath Day  
 Dec 28th Lois Breck

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Janry 5th Sarah Brooks }  
 " " Vashti Brooks } Daughters of Jno Brooks Decd  
 " " Mary Brooks }  
 Febr'y 16 Experience Hancock



April 20 Azariah Vanhorn and wife  
 June 22 Rhoda wife of Robert Saunderson  
 Dec 28 Moses Stebbins and wife

## 1756

Febry 1st Abigail wife of Capt George Pynchon reccomended by En-  
 field chh  
 “ “ Ami wife of Benajah Stevenson Junr  
 “ “ Elizabeth Long  
 “ 8th Leah Daughter of Cornelius Webb  
 Febry 22nd Benajah Stevenson Junr  
 “ “ Rhoda Daughter of Benja Wait  
 “ 29th Sarah wife of Wm Pynchon Esq  
 April 25th Capt Jno Burt and Mary his wife  
 “ “ Wm Pynchon Junr  
 “ “ Mercy Daughter of Aaron Parsons  
 July 4th Bathsheba wife of Robert Harris  
 “ “ Phinehas Son of Ebenr Hitchcock  
 August 1st Mercy wife of Charles Colton  
 Sept 5th Widow Abigail Mun  
 Nov 7th Sarah wife of Joseph Ferre  
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 Aug 15th David Ashley  
 Dec 19 David Bonner and wife

## 1757

May 1st Sarah wife of Saml Mun  
 “ “ Mary “ “ Abner Parsons  
 July 3rd Eunice Daughter of Capt Jno Horton  
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Janry 2nd Jotham Hancock and wife

## 1758

Janry 15th Mr Ebenr Garnsey  
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 Janry 1 Jonath Church Junr  
 “ 15 Jno Fox  
 “ 29 Sarah wife of Jonath Church Junr  
 June 18 James Warner  
 Oct 15 George Lamb  
 Dec 31 Ann wife of Richard Freeman

## 1759

July 1st Widow Hannah Ashley Dismiss'd from the chh of Westfield  
 to us  
 Augt 5 Danl Lombard and Jemima his wife  
 “ 19 Dinah Terry  
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 Sept 23 Luke Bliss Junr and his wife



## 1760

April 27 <sup>th</sup>	Widow Hannah Beamont
June 29 <sup>th</sup>	Ann wife of Richard Freeman
“ “	Mary wife of Jeremiah Snow reccomended to us by y <sup>e</sup> chh in the East parish
Augt 31	Abigail wife of Jabez Cooley
Oct 26	Eben <sup>r</sup> Morgan Jun <sup>r</sup>
“ “	Richard Falley
Janry 6	David Cooley and wife
Febry 10	Elisha Ferre Jun and wife
Nov 2	Aaron Parsons Jun

NOTE BY COMPILER: There were in 1735, 66 members—32 males and 34 females. Received to full communion from 1735 to 1760, 216 members—73 males and 143 females.

## 1761

April 26 <sup>th</sup>	Sam. <sup>ll</sup> Hitchcock & Ruth his Wife
Sept 6 <sup>th</sup>	Phoebe Wife of Joseph Ashley Jun <sup>r</sup> recond to us by y <sup>e</sup> chh In Enfd
Oct. 4 <sup>th</sup>	Edward Stebbins & Elizabeth his wife
Decbr 20	Timothy Bliss & Elizabeth his wife
Janry 25 <sup>th</sup>	Jeremiah Snow
March 8 <sup>th</sup>	Lois Wife of Jason Hassard
“ “	Margaret Daughter of Robert Hassard
July 18	Zechariah Warren Jun & Dorcas his wife
Augt 15	Jedediah Bliss Jun & Wife

## 1762

Janry 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Dan <sup>ll</sup> Brewer Breck
“ 31	Reuben Bliss & Elizabeth his Wife
March 7 <sup>th</sup>	Aaron Parsons Jun <sup>r</sup> & Eunice his Wife
Aug. 29	Phinehas Stedman reccomended to us by the 2 <sup>nd</sup> chh in Winsor
“ “	Thomas Goldthwait & Lucy his Wife reccomd to us by the 2 <sup>nd</sup> chh in Danvers
Oct 17	Elizabeth Wife of Josiah Dwight reccomended to us by the first chh In Brookfield
Decem <sup>br</sup> 26	Jn <sup>o</sup> Burt 2 <sup>nd</sup>
March 28	William Colton
April 9	Stephen Horton
June 20	Dorothy wife of W. <sup>m</sup> Colton
Nov. 7	David Wright & Mary his Wife

## 1763

June 12 <sup>th</sup>	Ariel Collins & Mary his Wife
“ 26 <sup>th</sup>	Thomas Stebbins
	Phoebe Wife of Timothy Waters. } reccomended to us by first chh in Hebron



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July 10<sup>th</sup> Margaret Williston  
 Sept 9<sup>th</sup> Moses Church & Anne his Wife

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April 11<sup>th</sup> Benja<sup>a</sup> Miller & his wife

## 1764

Janry 22<sup>nd</sup> Sarah Wife of Eben<sup>r</sup> Hitchcock Jun  
 May 6<sup>th</sup> Eliakim Cooley Jun reccomended to us by the 2<sup>nd</sup> chh in  
                   Springfd  
 “ 13 Mary Wife of Stephen Morgan reccomended to us by the chh  
                   in Brimfield  
 June 24 Mary Wife of Capt Eb. Hitchcock reccomended by the chh in  
                   Brimfd  
 August 19 Oliver Chapin & Lois his Wife  
 Oct. 28 Noah Malbey

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Janry 8 Eben<sup>r</sup> Hitchcock Jun<sup>r</sup>  
 April 22 Nathan Bliss & Abigail his Wife  
 Octo 4 Mary Day

## 1765

Febry 24 Dan<sup>ll</sup> Harris & Sarah his Wife (Since chosen Deacon)  
 May 12 Joshua Fuller & Mercy his Wife reccommended to us by the  
                   chh at Ellington in Windsor  
 August 18 Elizabeth Wife of Phinehas Hitchcock  
 “ “ Stephen Hitchcock & his Wife  
 Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup> Dan<sup>ll</sup> Brewer A. B. reccomended to us by Mr Dagget

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March 31 Gideon Parsons & Mary his Wife  
 Dec 15 John Mun & Hannah his Wife

## 1766

Janry 26<sup>th</sup> Rachel wife of Joseph Lombard  
 Febry 27<sup>th</sup> Bathsheba wife of Jn<sup>o</sup> Burt 2<sup>nd</sup> Dismiss'd from the chh in  
                   Harkwich  
 March 30<sup>th</sup> Joseph Stebbins Jun<sup>r</sup>  
 June 8 Lydia Bliss  
 “ 22 Abiah Daughter of Josiah Chapin  
 July 6 Miriam Wife of Eben<sup>r</sup> Morgan Jun  
 August 24 Elisabeth Wife of Thomas Stebbins Williston

## 1767

April 19 Joseph Warriner Jun  
 July 26 Sam<sup>ll</sup> Morgan and Abigail his Wife  
 Aug. 2 Aaron Church A. B.  
 “ 9 Lemuel Stebbins  
 “ 30 Margaret Wife of Jonathan Dwight



Sept 6 Abigail Wife of Mr Moses Bliss  
 " " Rhoda " " Robert Saunderson

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Augt 30 Andrew Colton & Hannah his Wife  
 Nov 22 Simeon Dewey & Hannah his Wife

1768

May 1st Ruth Wife of Moses Burt  
 June 19 Rebekah Wife of Edward Pynchon Esq.

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Augt 7 Joseph Parsons and Naomi his Wife

NOTE BY COMPILER. The parish voted to maintain preaching "at a place called Stony Hill north of Chicopee River" and paid Danl Brewer £4 therefor

1769

April 2nd Zenas Parsons & Abigail his Wife  
 " 23rd Mary Daughter of Doct Charles Pynchon  
 May 21st Thankfull Wife of Timothy Bliss Jun  
 June 25th Israel son of Josiah Chapin  
 Oct. 8 Jno Pynchon & Lucy his Wife

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May 14 Timothy Bliss Jun

NOTE BY COMPILER. The Meeting house repaired and painted—cost of painting £50. Salary of Revd R Breck this year £76. Edward Pynchon Esq was paid "for serving as treasurer 10 shillings"—

1770

April 29th Joseph Abbot & Lucy his Wife recomended from Tolland  
 July 1st Bathsheba Harris

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Feb 18 Mary Wife of Preserved White Jun  
 August 19 Gad Bliss & Abiah his Wife

1771

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April 14 Danl Parsons Jun & Sarah his Wife  
 May 12 John Colton & Martha his Wife  
 Sept 15 George Bates & Jemima his Wife  
 Dec 1st Joseph Clough & Mary his Wife

1772

May 3rd Abner Smith A B  
 Nov 1st Mercy Colton  
 " " Anna Chapin  
 " 29 Enoch Chapin & Miriam his wife recomended to us by the chh  
 of Wilbraham

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March 15 Jane Wright  
 April 19 Elam Burt and Lois his Wife  
 May 16 Solomon Brewer & Martha his Wife  
 Dec 20 Jno Burt Jun & Mabel his Wife

## 1773

Febry 28<sup>th</sup> Elisabeth Gott

Sept 5<sup>th</sup> Justus Steel and Thankfull his Wife  
 " 12 Benja Wardwell & Margaret his Wife  
 Oct 3 Abiathar Stevenson and Olive his Wife

## 1774

April 10 Aaron Morgan & Roxana his Wife  
 Oct 23 Judah Chapin

Augt 21 Nathl Alexander  
 Oct 23 Eunice Kellogg

## 1775

—— Catharine Wife of Moses Cooley Jun  
 Augt 20 Ebenr Bliss and Anne his Wife  
 Sept 3 Joshua Loring  
 " 10 Hannah Wife of Benja Howard  
 " 24 Lydia Wife of Wm White

## 1776

Janry 3 Naomi Wife of George Brewer reccomended by L. Meadow  
 chh  
 Febry 25 Joel Day and Mercy his Wife  
 May 5 Hannah Widow of Jno Munn  
 Oct 6 Benoni Dewey and Sabia his Wife  
 Nov 3 Jno Horton  
 May 26 Thomas Bates and Lydia his Wife  
 Augt 4 Anne Wife of Peter Colson

NOTE BY THE COMPILER. The population of Springfield Village this year was about 1200

## 1777

June 29 Gad Horton and Elizabeth his Wife  
 July 6 Solomon Ferre and Rhoda his Wife  
 Augt 10 Cloe Wife of Jno Ferre  
 " 24 Widow Tryphena Steel  
 Nov. 16 Edward Crandall and his Wife



## 1778

Dec 27 Phoebe Wife of Abijah Edson  
 Aug<sup>t</sup> 16 Eleanor widow of Abel Hancock Jun  
 Nov 22 Polly wife of Dan<sup>l</sup> Prat

## 1779

Febry 28 Martha Wife of Capt Dan<sup>l</sup> Lamb recomended to us by the  
 chh in Murrayfd  
 June 27 Doct Gad Stebbings and Sarah his Wife  
 July 4 Asahel Cooley and Esther his Wife  
 Nov 7 Capt Jn<sup>o</sup> Morgan recomended by the 1st chh in W.  
 Springfd  
 “ “ Elizabeth wife of Phinehas Hitchcock recomended by y<sup>e</sup> chh  
 in Hadley

April 11 Lucy Widow of Rix Burt  
 June 6 Aaron Ferre and Nansey his Wife  
 “ “ Jeduthun Saunderson and Persis his Wife  
 July 4 Moses Bliss Jun and Abiah his Wife  
 “ 18 Elias Hitchcock and Zeruiah his Wife  
 Aug<sup>t</sup> 8 Experience Crandall  
 “ 29 Gershom Flagg and Editha his Wife  
 Sept 5 James Melvin  
 Dec 12 Luther Hitchcock and Beulah his Wife

## 1780

Jan 2<sup>nd</sup> Eleanor Daughter of Eben<sup>r</sup> Stebbings  
 April 2 Jn<sup>o</sup> Stedman and Hannah his wife  
 July 2 David Ashley and Vashti his wife  
 “ 2 Miriam wife of Capt Joseph Ferre  
 Oct 22 Margaret “ “ Eben<sup>r</sup> Stebbings

Sept 24 Benja Colton and Rachel his wife  
 Dec 24 Jonathan Gardner and Lucy his wife

## 1781

Janry 7 Doct Brewer and Ami his wife recomended to us from 1st chh  
 in W. Springfd  
 “ 28 Sam<sup>l</sup> Farley and Hannah his wife  
 Febry 4 David Russell  
 “ 25 Ithamar Smith and Lucy his wife  
 April 29 Abigail Daughter of Josiah Chapin  
 “ “ Lois “ “ Capt Thomas Stebbings

March 25 Dan<sup>l</sup> Bliss and Mary his wife  
 Sept 2 Stoughton Bliss and Zeruiah his wife  
 Dec 30 Eben<sup>r</sup> Warriner Jun and his wife



## 1782

Janry 13	Abigail wife of Mr Elisha Williams
April 21	Mercy    "    "    Capt Sam <sup>l</sup> Burt
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Febry 10	Remembrance Smith and Bathsheba his wife
April 14	Jn <sup>o</sup> Morgan Burt
July 28	Earl Cooley and Ami his wife
Aug 4	Jn <sup>o</sup> Stebbings and Sarah his wife
Nov 3	Elisabeth wife of W <sup>m</sup> Doyle
" 24	Sam <sup>l</sup> Babcock and Thankfull his wife

## 1783

(No full c.)

Febry 2	Edward Boylston and Lydia his wife
Decr 28	George Blake and Huldah his wife

NOTE BY THE COMPILER. Here the handwriting of the penman who recorded all these admissions to the church since the year 1735 comes to an end, and is supplemented by the following brief but comprehensive entry : " April 23, 1784, Died the Rev<sup>d</sup> Robert Breck, pastor of the first church in Springfield, in the 71<sup>st</sup> year of his age, and 49<sup>th</sup> of his ministry." The Record is resumed with the following heading : " Continued Pr<sup>e</sup> me, Bezaleel Howard "

" For this God is our God forever and ever ; He will be our guide even unto death."



## REV<sup>D</sup>. ROBERT BRECK.

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BY THEO. W. ELLIS.

THE author of the foregoing Record was called to the pastorate of the First Church of Christ in Springfield in 1735, ordained in 1736; and the most famous contest of early colonial times was waged over his settlement. Young, ardent, eloquent, and fearless in the avowal of his views, which were unusually broad and charitable, he proved a shining mark for the suspicion and hostility of some of his ministerial brethren before he was called to Springfield. The personal differences and bigotry of these enemies were concentrated in opposition to his settlement over the First Church, and reinforced by the apprehensions and conservatism of prominent people in Springfield, culminated in a fight so furious that the whole neighborhood was convulsed. Perhaps the expression of the young minister's hope, "that the benevolence of God would secure salvation to the heathen who acted up to their light," was as offensive in that day as anything else which was charged against him. But, in addition to this, he had his own interpretation of various passages of Scripture, the divine decrees, etc., and evidently possessed the courage of his convictions. His opponents from Connecticut, uniting with the dissatisfied in Springfield, commenced their onslaught with vindictive charges; but were encountered by a candidate, who, relying upon the church which had called him, was cool, prudent, unterrified, and immovable. The history of the various incidents and shifting scenes of those days of excitement, and the unexpected *denouement* of the proceedings, is exceedingly dramatic; but our limits forbid us to go into details. We barely indicate some of them when we refer to the call of the church,—objections to the candidate by neighboring clergymen,—the historic names of Pyncheon and Worthington in protest;—then the council in session—a star-chamber trial and Jonathan Edwards in the polemic battle;—the refusal to ordain;—wrath of the candidate's friends and exultation of his foes;—the church seeking advice from neighboring ministers and from the general association, which is kindly furnished and promptly rejected;—



the second council,—the charges and counter-charges of illegality;—fever heat of anxiety and passion in the community,—combination of the opposition at home and abroad;—resort to the courts,—warrant against members of the council,—warrant against Breck,—arrival of the sheriff, and arrest of Breck in the midst of his examination:—the mob for him and another mob for the council,—the removal of the fight and contestants to New London,—victory of Breck,—his triumphant return to Springfield, and finally his endorsement by the council.

But if the young pastor was settled amid the din of conflict and despite the assaults of personal enemies, and for years encountered the opposition of bigotry and fanaticism, his sterling and staying qualities, his frankness and heroism, together with his industry and self-restraint, won for him a steadily enlarging place in the affections of the people, and fully vindicated the confidence of the church which deemed him especially fitted for the work of the gospel and battled to secure and defend him. His long ministry was spent in the enjoyment of the peace which he had honorably conquered, and a rounded half century of service and usefulness made it very plain that, in spite of early opposition, he was divinely ordained to minister to the First Church of Christ in Springfield.

The monumental tablet to his memory in the cemetery is in excellent condition. It is six feet long by three feet wide, resting on pillars three feet high, and is inscribed as follows:—

“In memory of the Rev<sup>d</sup> Robert Breck A M the Pastor of the Church of Christ in this place, who died on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of April A D 1784 in the 71<sup>st</sup> year of his age, and in the 49<sup>th</sup> year of his ministry; this Monument is erected by his affectionate and grateful Parishoners, (in addition to that in their breasts) to perpetuate the remembrance of his singular worth and long continued and faithful labors among them in the service of their souls.

“He taught us how to live; and oh! too high  
A price for knowledge! taught us how to die.”



# A LIST OF THE MEMBERS OF THE FIRST CHURCH IN SPRINGFIELD APRIL 27 1785

NOTE BY COMPILER. This day, Apl 27, 1785, Rev<sup>d</sup> Bezaleel Howard, D. D., was settled as pastor. Settlement £150.0.0. Yearly salary £150 0.0.

Deacon Nath <sup>l</sup> Brewer	Wid Hannah Mun
Sarah Warner	John Horton
Wid Experience Bliss	Gad Horton and wife
Sam <sup>l</sup> Marshfield Esq	Wid Phoebe Edson
Charles brewer	Mary wife of Abner Parsons
Wid Mary Horton	Daniel Lombard and wife
Elizabeth Vanhorn	Mary wife of Jeremiah Snow
Wid Miriam Bliss	Ebenezer Morgan and wife
Wid Martha Ferry	Wid Phoebe Ashley
Catharine Daught <sup>r</sup> of Sam <sup>l</sup> Warner	Edward Stebbins and wife
Esther Horton	Wid Elizabeth Bliss
Sarah Mun	Reuben Bliss and wife
Wid Rebecca Bliss	Aaron Parsons Jun <sup>r</sup>
Honble John Worthington Esq	Phineas Stedman
Sarah w. of Preserved White	Wid Elizabeth Dwight
Capt James Sikes	John Burt
Wid Silence Bliss	Ariel Collins and wife
Capt Joseph Ferry and wife	Moses Church and wife
Wid Hannah Nevers	Sarah wife of Ebenezer Hitchcock
Dea Moses Bliss and wife	May wife of Stephen Morgan
Mary Bond	Wid Mary Hitchcock
Ebenezer Stebbins and wife	Deacon Daniel Harris
Wid Ruth Mears	Stephen Hitchcock
Capt Thomas Stebbins and wife	Rachel wife of Jos Lombard
Abigail wife of Capt George Pynchon	Joseph Stebbins 2 <sup>nd</sup> and wife
Benajah Stephenson	Abiah Chapin
Samuel Stebbins and wife	Sam <sup>l</sup> Morgan and wife
Wm Pynchon Esq chosen Deacon } 1785 }	Lem <sup>l</sup> Stebbins and wife
Mercy wife of Charles Colton	Margaret wife of Jonathan Dwight
Rhoda wife of Robert Saunderson	Martha wife of Dan <sup>l</sup> Lamb
Wid Rebecca Pynchon	Doct Gad Stebbins and wife
Zenas Parsons and wife	Asaiel Cooley and wife
Mary wife of Sam <sup>l</sup> Lyman Esq	Capt John Morgan
Capt Israel Chapin	Elenor Stebbins
John Pynchon and wife	John Stedman and wife
Mr Abner Smith (dism <sup>d</sup> )	David Ashley and wife
Mercy Colton	Doct <sup>r</sup> Brewer and wife
Anna Chapin	Samuel Farley and wife (dism d.)
Enoch Chapin	Lois Stebbins
Aaron Morgan and wife	Mercy wife of Capt Sam <sup>l</sup> Burt
Judah Chapin	Wid Esther Burt
Eben <sup>r</sup> Bliss and wife	Benjamin Howard and wife
Naomy wife of George Brewer	Wid Sarah Pynchon
Joel Day and wife	Wid Anna Pynchon
	Wid Sarah Lamb
	Ruth wife of Moses Burt



## 1785

July —	Luther Hitchcock and wife	
August —	Daniel Lombard 2nd	
Oct 23d	Mary wife of Joseph Stebbins	
“ “	Daniel Ashley and wife	
Nov —	Lydia wife of Isaac Warriner	
“	Zebina Stebbins and Mary his wife	
Decr	Alexander Bliss and Margaret his wife	11

NOTE BY THE COMPILER. The annual expenses of the church in these days were about £110.0.0; viz., Minister's salary £100.0.0, wood furnished him £8, sweeping meeting house £1.10.0, and bell ringing 12 shillings.

## 1786

Jany	George Brewer	
Mar 2d	Calvin Bliss And Lucy his wife from the chh at East Windsor	
“ 20	Lucinda wife of B. Howard	
April —	Sally Dwight	
“ 24	Zenas Bliss and his wife	
“ 30	Polly Worthington	
Sep —	Bathsheba wife of Luther Warner	
Nov	Widow Denia Bicker from the Presbt chh N, York	
“	Oliver Bush and his wife “ “ chh at Enfield	12

## 1787

April	Cloe Lombard and Lucy Stebbins	
July	Lois Colton	
August	Sarah Stebbins	
Septr	Thomas Bates	
“	George Bliss from the chh at Yale College	

## 1788

May	Nancy wife of Bela Nichols from ye chh at Wethersfield	
April	Elizabeth Stebbins	
May	Josiah Hitchcock and wife	
October	Hannah wife of Elisha Ferree	
“	Lois “ “ Elam Burt	
Novr	Justin Ashley and Love his wife	
Decr	John Ashley and wife—his wife from ye chh L Medow	10

## 1789

January	Jonathan Dwight	
Feb 22	David Bonnar 2nd and his wife	
April	Justin Lumbard and his wife	
“ 26	Peggy Dwight	
July	Lois Ferrie	
August	Abigail Babcock	
March	Bethuel Hitchcock and wife	



## 1790

Feb	Betsey Murphy
March	John Warner and his wife
"	Orpha the wife of Jabez Beaman
Apr 18	Josiah Hitchcock Jun and his wife
" 25	Betsey the wife of Charles Sheldon
May 2	Eunice Bliss
June —	Phoebe Ashley
"	Clarissa Snow
"	Margaret wife of Jonathan Dwight from Dr Edwards' chh at New Haven

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Jany 31 Obed Lumbard and wife

## 1791

Feb 6	Elam Stebbins and his wife	
" 20	Amelia Stebbins	
April —	Pitt Bliss and his wife	
"	Abigail wife of Wm Butler	
July	Clarinda Colton	
Novr	Darius Wright and his wife	9

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## 1792

January	Oliver Collins and his wife	
"	Festus Bliss " " "	
June	Paul Bliss and his wife from ye 3rd chh in Brookfield	
August	Coll. Thomas Dwight and his wife	
Sept <sup>r</sup>	Sabra Brown	
"	John Bowls and his wife recommended from the 2nd chh in Lebanon	11

## 1793

January	Asenath Church	
May	Beulah wife of Thomas Williston	
"	Hannah Buckminster	
"	Thankful wife of Diamond Colton	
June	Elisabeth " " Justen Bliss	
"	Elizabeth Belcher	
July	Ezra Sexton and his wife	
"	Hannah wife of Joseph Williston from ye Episcopalian chh New Haven	

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May 19 Nathan Bliss Jun<sup>r</sup> and his wife  
Oct 13 Woolcott Russell and his wife



## 1794

Jan	John Hooker Esq
"	Elizabeth wife of Daniel Murphy
"	Elisabeth " " Jerel Warner
Sept <sup>r</sup>	Silva " " Dan <sup>l</sup> Lombard Jun <sup>r</sup>
"	Sarah Lombard
October	John Burt and his wife
"	Rufus Sikes and his wife
December	John Stebbins and his wife

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April James Hunt and wife recom<sup>dd</sup> from ye chh at Princeton

## 1795

March 18	Martin White and his wife
April 12	Capt Jacob Seargeant and his wife
" "	Capt Jacob Bliss and his wife
" "	William Hunt and his wife
" "	Hannah wife of Joseph Hopkins
" "	Mary Byars
" 26	Hannah wife of George Bliss Esq
" "	Abigail Bliss
" "	Francies Bliss
July 5	James Chapman & wife recom <sup>dd</sup> from ye chh at Bolton
May	Edward Boylston and his wife
Sept 6	Moses Burt Jun and his wife
Oct 4	Marey wife of James S. Dwight
" 18	Lewis Bates and his wife
Nov	Mary White

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August Achsah wife of James Warner  
 Sep 27 Clarissa Russel

NOTE BY THE COMPILER: From this date ceases altogether the admission of "those who have own'd the Covt," of which partial admissions, only seven entries have been made during the twelve years preceding.

## 1796

Feb	Anna wife of John Munn
March	Heber Hitchcock and his wife
April	Huldah wife of Plinny Cadwell
July	Sopronia Chapin
Sept	Pelatiah Bliss and his wife
"	Henry Chapin
October	Ithamar Stebbins and his wife

## 1797

Janry 1	Amy wife of John Foswell
" "	Nancy Davisson
" "	Sebra Hitchcock



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Feb 26	Mary wife of Hon John Worthington
March	Daniel Bliss and his wife
"	Lois Stebbins
May	Elisabeth wife of Charles Sheldon
August	Widow Abigail Russel
"	Dr Joshua Frost
Nov	Miriam Ferree
"	Hannah wife of Elias Rude

## 1798

Janry	Dinah Sikes
"	Lucy Brewer
Feb 11	Lucretia wife of Horace Cooley
April	Mehitabel " " Joseph Ferrie Jun
Nov 3	Anna Ferree
" "	Pamela Parsons
" "	Bathsheba Pynchon
" "	Cyntha Brewer
" "	Henry Frost and wife from ye chh in Canterbury

## 1799

January	John Warner from ye 2 <sup>nd</sup> chh in Stafford
"	Widow Sarah Parsons
March 3	Margarett wife of Alexander Rumril
"	Mary wife of Nath <sup>l</sup> Butts from ye chh in Canterbury
"	Sarah Worthington from ye chh in Hanover
August	George Wright
"	Wid Rebekah Nash
Octo 13	Sarah wife of Jonathan Dwight Jun
"	Elisabeth wife of Justin Lumbard

## 1800

March 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Electa Williston
" "	Lydia wife of Thomas Sargeant
May 11	Dosha " " Jonathan Church
July 6	Hon <sup>ble</sup> Samuel Lyman
Aug <sup>t</sup> 10	Hannah Nevers
Sept 7	Calvin Wright and his wife
" "	Miriam wife of Rex Burt
" "	Phoebe " " Caleb Stebbins
" 21	Chloe " " John Collins
Nov 2	Miriam " " Uriah Ferrie
" "	Jerusha " " Wm Lloyd
" 30	Joseph Ferrie Jun <sup>r</sup>

## 1801

March 1	Rachel White
" 29	Nancy wife of Paul Bliss



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April 12	Israel Huntington
May 3	Mary wife of Capt Israel Chapin
" "	Marian Willison
Sep 7	Asenath wife of Caleb Ferree
Nov 1	Samuel Sikes
Dec 20	Abigail wife of Luther White
" "	Mary " " Zenas White

## 1802

Feb 7	Hubbard Bliss and his wife
"	Pamela Bliss
"	Hannah Yants
"	John Sanderson
28	Solomon Warriner

NOTE BY COMPILER: Afterwards Deacon.

28	Naomi Kneeland
"	Sally Brewer
"	Luther Russell and his wife
"	Bathsheba Sanderson
"	Lucy Chapin
July 11	Nancy Gridley
Octo 11	The wife of Philemon Samson
Dec 26	W <sup>m</sup> Colton and his wife

## 1803

Feb	Mary wife of Martin Burt
April	Dorothy and Elisabeth Colton
"	Lucy wife of Jonah Hitchcock from W Springfield
Nov 27	Wid Eunice Bartlett

NOTE BY COMPILER: Revd Bezaleel Howard retired this year.

## 1804

Jan 1	Widow Rachel Collins
7	Mabel Cooley
May 27	Uriah Ferree
August	Elizabeth Gardener
Sept	Huldah wife of Benjamin Ball

## 1805

Jan <sup>ry</sup>	Jonathan Dwight Jun <sup>r</sup>
	Elizabeth wife of Jeremiah Snow
May 20	Henry Brewer and wife
July 8	Eunice wife of Quartus Stebbins



## 1806

Janry	Wid Olive Rider
July	Roderic Adams
"	Hannah wife of Charles Bliss
"	Temperance wife of Gaius Bliss
August	Betsey Brewer
Octobr	Miriam wife of Sam <sup>l</sup> Taylor
"	Mary wife of Roger Adams

## 1807

March	Sophia wife of Alpheus Hall
April	Walter Stebbins and wife
May 3d	Abigail wife of Alexander Bliss
" "	Charlotte wife of Eleazer Williams
" "	Sophia Brewer
" "	Elisha Bliss
June	John Gains and his wife
Augt 30	Rebecca Warner
Sept	Jane Peters a Negro woman
Oct	Jeremy Warriner
"	Mary Lyman

## 1808

March	Lettice Hammond
April 24	Asenath wife of Asa Caswell
" "	Margaret " " Lettice Hammond
May 8	Miriam Morgan
Sept 11	John Morgan and his wife
" 17	Elizabeth wife of Daniel Swetland
Nov 7	Henry Dwight

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NOTE BY PRESENT CLERK: With this entry the admissions to the church in the oldest Record-book come to an end.

" So we Thy people and sheep of Thy pasture  
will give Thee thanks forever: we will  
shew forth Thy praise to all generations."



1809.

NOTE BY THE COMPILER: Revd. Saml. Osgood installed over this church Jan. 25, 1809. The names from this date until 1854, are from the Record Book kept by him.

## A LIST OF MEMBERS OF THE FIRST CHURCH JAN. 26, 1809.

Deacon Moses Bliss.	Wid. Lydia Warriner.
Wid. Silence Bliss.	Zebina Stebbins. }
Capt. Joseph Ferre.	Mary Stebbins. }
Wid. Abigail Pynchon.	Alexander Bliss.
Wid. Mercy Colton.	Calvin Bliss. }
Wid. Mary Snow.	Lucy Bliss. }
Edward Stebbins. }	Rev. Beza. Howard. }
Elizabeth Stebbins. }	Prudence Howard. }
Wid. Phebe Ashley.	John Hooker. }
Wid. of Reuben Bliss.	Sally Hooker. }
Ariel Collins. }	Zenas Bliss. }
Mary Collins. }	Mary Bliss. }
Moses Church. }	Bathsheba, wife of Luther Warne.
Anna Church. }	Wid. Denia Bicker.
Joseph Stebbins. }	Wid. Lois Stebbins.
Elisabeth Stebbins, }	George Bliss.
Samuel Morgan. }	Wid. Nancy Nickols.
Abigail Morgan. }	Elizabeth Stebbins.
Wid. of Samuel Stebbins.	Josiah Hitchcock. }
Wid. Rebecka Pynchon.	Lucy Hitchcock. }
Israel Chapin. }	Justin Ashley. }
Mary Chapin. }	Love Ashley. }
John Pynchon.	Jonathan Dwight. }
Mercy Colton.	Hannah Dwight. }
Aaron Morgan. }	David Bonnar. }
Sally Morgan. }	Abigail Bonnar. }
Judah Chapin. }	Justin Lombard. }
Chloe Chapin. }	Elizabeth Lombard. }
Ebeneser Bliss.	Wid. Abigail Gardner.
George Brewer. }	Betsey, wife of John Stevenson.
Mary Brewer. }	Orpha, wife of A. Bartlett.
Wid. Mercy Day.	Josiah Hitchcock, Jr. }
Thomas Bates & }	Huldah Hitchcock. }
Phebe Bates. }	Elizabeth, wife of Charles Sheldon.
Wid. Vashti Charter.	Wid. Eunice Marble.
Chancy Brewer. }	Elam Stebbins. }
Amy Brewer. }	Ruth Stebbins. }
Ruth, wife of Moses——	Wid. Ruth Hitchcock.
Luther Hitchcock. }	Oliver Collins.
Amy Hitchcock. }	Pitt Bliss. }
Daniel Lombard. }	Elizabeth Bliss. }
Sylvia Lombard. }	Abigail, wife of Wm. Butler.
Daniel Ashley. }	Darius Wright. }
Sally Ashley. }	Polly Wright. }



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| Festus Bliss. }                    | Nancy, wife of Eli Bates.        |
| Mary Bliss. }                      | Wid. Mary Worthington.           |
| Paul Bliss. }                      | Daniel Bliss. }                  |
| Nancy Bliss. }                     | Mary Bliss. }                    |
| Thomas Dwight. }                   | Abigail, wife of Isaac Bartlett. |
| Hannah Dwight. }                   | Merriam Ferree.                  |
| Sabra, wife of Micah Smith.        | Joseph Ferree, Jr. }             |
| Thomas Williston. }                | Mehitable Terry. }               |
| Beulah Williston. }                | ———nna Ferree.                   |
| Zenas Parsons.                     | ———ela Parsons.                  |
| Wid. Thankful Colton.              | ———Warner.                       |
| Wid. Elizabeth Bliss.              | ———l Parsons.                    |
| Elizabeth, wife of Moses Stebbins. | Margaret, wife of Alex. Rumril.  |
| Widow Elizabeth Murphy.            | Rebecca Nash.                    |
| Elizabeth, wife of Gerald Warner.  | Jonathan Dwight, Jr. }           |
| Joshua Frost. }                    | Sarah Dwight. }                  |
| Sally Frost. }                     | Electa Williston.                |
| John Burt. }                       | Lydia, wife of Thomas Sargent.   |
| Chloe Burt. }                      | Hannah Nevers.                   |
| Rufus Sykes. }                     | Henry Frost.                     |
| Azubah Sykes. }                    | Calvin Wright. }                 |
| John Stebbins. }                   | Lois Wright. }                   |
| Hannah Stebbins. }                 | Merriam, wife of Rex Burt.       |
| Martin White. }                    | Phebe, wife of Caleb Stebbins.   |
| Polly White. }                     | Chloe, wife of John Collins.     |
| Jacob Bliss. }                     | Merriam, wife of Uriah Ferre.    |
| Mary Bliss. }                      | Jerusha, wife Wm. Lloyd.         |
| Hannah, wife of Jo. Hopkins.       | Rachel White.                    |
| Wid. Mary Smith.                   | Mary Ann Williston.              |
| Abigail, wife of Wm. G. ———        | Asenath, wife of Caleb Ferree.   |
| Edward Boylston.                   | Samuel Sykes.                    |
| Lydia Boylston.                    | Abigail, wife of Luther White.   |
| Moses Burt.                        | Wid. Mary White.                 |
| Mary Burt.                         | Hubbard Bliss. }                 |
| Mary, wife of ———                  | Emily Bliss. }                   |
| Lewis Bates. }                     | Pamela, wife of Silas Searle.    |
| Nancy Bates. }                     | Polly Edson.                     |
| Mary White.                        | Harriet Bliss.                   |
| Heber Hitchcock. }                 | Mary Snow.                       |
| Lois Hitchcock. }                  | Solomon Warriner.                |
| Pelatiah Bliss. }                  | Naomi Kneland.                   |
| Polly Bliss. }                     | Sally Brewer.                    |
| Ithemer Stebbins. }                | Lucy Chapin.                     |
| Debby Stebbins. }                  | Nancy Gridley.                   |
| Henry Chapin.                      | Mary, wife of Philemon Sampson.  |
| Huldah, wife of Pliny Cadwell.     | Wm. Colton. }                    |
| Amy, wife of John Foswill.         | Elizabeth Colton. }              |



Mary, wife of Martin Burt.	Charlott, wife of Eleaz. Williams.
Ebenezer Morgan. }	Sophia Brewer.
Sarah Morgan. }	George Wright.
Dorothy Colton.	Elisha Bliss.
Elizabeth Colton.	John Gains. }
Wid. Rachel Collins.	Patty Gains. }
Mabel Cooley.	Rebeckah Warner.
Uriah Ferre, Jr.	Jane Peters.
Elizabeth Gardner.	Jeremy Warriner.
Huldah, wife of Benj. Ball.	Mary Lyman.
Elizabeth, wife of Jer. Snow.	Asenath, wife of Asa Caswell.
Henry Brewer. }	Merriam Morgan.
Lucy Brewer. }	Jona. Morgan.
Eunice, wife of Quartus Stebbins.	Ruth Morgan.
Wid. Olive Rider.	Elizabeth, w. of Danl. Sweatland.
Hannah, wife of Charles Bliss.	Henry Dwight.
Temperance, wife of Gaius Bliss.	David Ames. }
Betsey Brewer.	Rebecca Ames. }
Merriam, wife of Saml. Taylor.	Jeduthan Sanderson. }
Sophia, wife of Alpheus Hall.	Sarah Sanderson. }
Walter Stebbins. }	
Catharine Stebbins. }	

NOTE BY COMPILER: The bottom of the pages of this record has been frayed off by constant use and two names are gone. If any names (especially given ones) seem carelessly spelled it is sufficient to state that the record has been closely followed; and it may be added that in former times many persons, both in this country and in England, spelled their own names with serene contempt for usage or in blissful ignorance of it; and, indeed, usage wasn't very well established any way.

1809.

LIST OF PERSONS ADMITTED TO THE CHURCH BY S. OSGOOD.

March 5.	Debby Stebbins.
April 7.	Benja. Corey.
“ 21.	Ann, w. of Wm. Ball.
May —	Mary, wife of Edm. Dwight, from the West Church, Boston.
“ 7.	Doct. Wm. Sheldon. }
“ 7.	Eunice Sheldon. }
June 3.	Ann, wife of Luther Sage, from the church in Bolton.
“ “	Mary S. Osgood, from the church in Conway.

NOTE BY COMPILER: Wife of the pastor. Born in Fryeburg, Me., June 12, 1748. Died June 30, 1871. A member of the First Church for sixty-two years.

“ 21.	Abigail, wife of George Bliss.
August 13.	Frances, wife of John Warner.
20.	Eliza, wife of John Lloyd.



## 1810.

- Feb. 18. Azariah Van horn.  
 March 24. Mary, wife of Plinny Cadwell, from the Third Church in  
           Wethersfield.  
 April 8. Phila, wife of Wm. Bates.  
           Henry Kirkham. }  
           Charlott Kirkham. }  
 June 24. Lyman Wood.  
 Sept. 2. Widow Amy Cooley.  
           Widow Eliza Parsons.

## 1811.

- Jan. 5. Mary Bliss.  
       " " Elisabeth Bliss.  
 Feb. 17. Sophia Bliss.  
           Alfred Warriner.  
           Seth Bliss.  
           Franklin White.  
           Elizabeth Collins.  
           Rhoda, wife of Solo. Ferre.  
           Edward Collins. }  
           Mary Collins. }  
           Daniel Bontecou.

NOTE BY COMPILER: Elected deacon, 1833.

- Persis White.  
       24. Moses Burt.  
 March 7. Sophia Ferre.  
 April 21. Caroline Bliss.  
 June 30. Alfred Burt.  
           Bathsheba Bliss.  
 July 28. Wm. Bates.  
 Aug. 11. Widow Elizabeth Stevenson.  
 Dec. — Mary, wife of Jos. Miller.

NOTE BY COMPILER: This year the Baptists organized a church with eleven members—the "First Baptist."

NOTE BY COMPILER: Dr. Osgood preached, March 31, a long and able discourse in behalf of missions, and in refutation of prevalent objections.

## 1812.

- Jan. 5. Ann Stebbins.  
 June 14. Sally Prince, from the church in Williamsburg.  
 Aug. 23. Cornelia, wife of Roswell Lombard.  
 Sept. 6. Mary, wife of John Chaffee, from the church in Windsor.  
 Oct. 5. Horace Lombard.  
           Catharine Lombard.  
           Harriet Chapin.



	Sarah Chapin.	
	Abigail Chapin.	
	Lucinda Chapin.	
	Mary Ames.	
	Rebecca Ames.	
Nov. 1.	Mary S. Dwight.	
22.	Erastus C. Baker, }	from the church in Pelham.
	Esther Baker,	
Dc. 6.	Harvey Chapin, from the church in Hartford.	17.
27.	Francis Bliss.	

NOTE BY COMPILER: The record of excommunications up till this year is very small, but Dr. Osgood did not shrink from this decisive method of church purification. Three of the foregoing were excluded, five of 1816, and others before and after.

## 1813.

May 2.	Hannah Willner.	
	Lucinda Orne.	
Nov. 7.	Solomon Ferre.	
28.	Esther, wife of Wm. Pynchon, from the church in Greenfield.	

## 1814.

Feb. 20.	Mrs. Lucy Walkley.	
April 17.	Harriet Jones.	
May 1.	George Colton.	
Aug. 21.	Joseph Ashley.	
Nov. 2.	Levi Jones. }	
"	Mary Jones. }	
"	Nancy, wife of James Russell.	
"	Sarah, wife of David Orcutt.	12.

NOTE BY COMPILER: Year of great drouth in this vicinity. Dr. Osgood preached September 8, from Amos 4:7-8.

## 1815.

Jan. 29.	James Russell.	
	Lovisa Russell.	
	Harriet, wife of Oliver Sexton.	
	Achsah, wife of David Simons.	
July 2.	John Ingersoll, }	from the church of Westfield.
	Elizabeth Ingersoll, }	
Sept. 3.	Susan, wife of Josha. Childs.	
Nov. 5.	Sally Hooker, wife of Jona. Taylor.	
Dec. 31.	Simeon Jones.	
"	Mary Chapin.	
	Aurelia Drake.	
	Lucretia Bliss.	
	Lovina Stebbins.	
	Elizabeth Stebbins.	



Emily Stebbins.  
 Harriet Rumrill.  
 Eliza Bliss.  
 Mary Richards.

NOTE BY COMPILER: The Methodists organized a church this year with eleven members.

1816.

March 3.	Roger Adams.
	Flavia Burt.
	Almira Sykes.
	Charlott Ames.
April 21.	George Frost.
28.	Hannah, wife of Solomon Hatch.
May 5.	Henry Bliss. }
	Hannah Bliss. }
	Plinny Bartlett. }
	Lucy Bartlett. }
	Harvey Blake. }
	Lucinda Blake. }
	Richard Walkley.
	Abigail, wife of Jacob Cooley.
	Nancy Lombard.
	Charlott Lombard.
	Maria Lombard.
	Nancy Dickman.
	Ascenath Dickman.
	Martha, w. of Eldad Stebbins.
	Susan, w. of David Lenard.
	John Wood, 2nd.
	Nancy Witty.
	Parmenas King.
	Laura King.
	Francis Burt.
	Horace Richardson.
	Rex Burt.
	— of Benj. More.
	Harvey Sanderson.
	Dolly, w. of Joseph Lombard.
	Rebecca, w. of John Newbury.
	Hannah, w. of Wm. Rogers.
May 5.	Emily, w. of Thos. Rogers.
	Benjamin Bisby.
	Wm. Moseley. }
	Jemima Moseley. }
	Lucinda, w. of Oliver Collins.
July 7.	Lydia, w. of Sylvester Clark.
	Huldah Ball.



	Fanny Holbrook.	
	William Warner.	
	Huldah Flint.	
	Laura, w. of Joseph Carew.	
Sep. 1.	Moses Bliss. }	
	Mary Bliss. }	
	Sally, w. of Nathan M. Wood.	
	Phebe, w. of Col. R. Lee.	
	Thomas Sargent.	
	Joseph Lombard.	
Nov. 3.	Jacob Perkins. }	
	Sally Perkins. }	
	Samuel Chandler. }	
	Sally Chandler. }	
	Clarissa, w. of Adonijah Foot.	
	Valorus R. Paine.	
	Theodore Warriner.	
	Rachel Warriner.	
	Mary Bliss.	59.

1817.

May 3.	Jonas Coolidge. }	
	Lois Coolidge. }	
	Joel Miller.	
Nov. 2.	Margret Dwight.	
	Elizabeth Whitney.	
Dec. 8.	Oliver B. Morris.	
	Lucy Crocker.	7.

1818.

May 3.	John Wood. }	
	Sally Wood. }	
June 21.	Mary Dwight.	
July 5.	Emily Billings.	
	John Wright.	
Sep. 6.	Deborah Belcher.	
	Sarah, w. of Phinehas Stedman.	
Sep. 6.	Lucretia, w. of George Colton.	
	Sally, w. of Josiah Bliss.	9.

NOTE BY COMPILER: The Sabbath-school was organized this year.

1819.

NOTE BY COMPILER: Preaching services held this year on week days by Dr. Osgood.

Mar. 7.	Rebecca, w. of Timothy Cooley.	
	Sarah, w. of Francis Eliot.	
April 25.	Betsey, wife of Cyrus Foot.	



- Ascenath, wife of Ashur Hitchcock.  
 Rebekah, wife of Josua Crosby.  
 Margret, — of Solomon Ferre, Jr.  
 Cyrus Newel.  
 Allen Look.  
 Joshua Crosby, from the ch. in Hawley.
- Aug. 25. Dr. Jona. Sparhawk, } from the ch. in Hartford.  
 Clarissa Sparhawk, }
- Sep. 5. Sally, wife of Benja. Belcher.  
 Ascenath, wife of Friend Hamlet.  
 Esther, wife of Silas Potter.  
 Henry Comstock. }  
 Lucy Comstock. }  
 Jonas Butterfield. }  
 Ann Butterfield. }  
 Daniel Field. }  
 Sally Field. }  
 Erastus Hitchcock. }  
 Polly Hitchcock. }  
 Zebina Walker.  
 Ruth Stebbins.  
 Fanny Crocker.  
 Stephen Collar.  
 Rachel, wife of Asahel Parsons.  
 Harriet, “ “ Otis McInvey.  
 Resign, “ “ Timo. Murphey.  
 Ziba Stevens, } from ch. in Somers.  
 Nancy Stevens, }  
 Charles Wood, } from ch. in Somers.  
 Minerva Wood, }  
 John B. Kirkham, from the ch. in Virgenes, Vt.  
 Samuel Kilbon, from ch. in N. Wilbraham.
- Nov. 7. Wife of Zebina Walker.  
 Lucinda, wife of Henry Woodman.  
 Lucy, wife of Albert Jones.  
 Oliver Baker, } from ch. in Vernon, Con.  
 Laura Baker, }

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NOTE BY COMPILER: Jonathan Dwight and others, Aug. 27th, of this year, requested certifs of regular standing and recommendation in order to form a separate, or third church, and without receiving such letters, on Oct. 19, organized and became the body now known as the 'Church of the Unity.' The present meeting house of the First Church being the fourth Church structure on nearly the same site was finished this year, and dedicated Augt. 19. Total additions this year 53.

1820.

- Jan. 3. Emily, wife of Seth Childs.  
 Mar. 5. Electa Ingersol.  
 Lura Sampson.  
 Abigail, wife of Thomas Dale, from the ch. in Northampton.



May 7.	Hannah, wife of Wm. Cooley, Jr. Betsey, wife of J. B. Kirkham. Eunice Brewer. Emma Osborn. Harriet Osborn. Sarah, wife of Eben Bliss. ——— wife of Obed Lombard.	
July 2.	Heman Cooley, } Mary Cooley, } from the ch. in Granby.	
Sep. 3.	Hezekiah Loomis. Ruth Loomis. Nancy Burnet.	
Nov. 5.	Eli Stephenson. Deidamia Griswold. Clarissa Griswold. Cynthia, wife of Chester Cooley. Jacob Yance.	22.

## 1821.

Feb. 4.	Alvah Whitmarsh. } Lydia Whitmarsh. } Plinny Dickinson.	
July 1.	Margret Bliss.	
Aug. 19.	Israel E. Trask, } Elizabeth Trask, } from the ch. in Brimfield. Laura, wife of Horace Lee, from the ch. in Northampton.	
Oct. 28.	Flavia, “ “ Clark Hooker, Hadley.	
Nov. 4.	Lydia, “ “ Plinny Chapin, Ellington.	9.

## 1822.

Jan. 6.	Ulrica, wife of Erastus Chapin, Chicopee.	
March 4.	Melina Stebbins.	
May 5.	Abigail C. Bliss. Mary, wife of John Avery. Sybil Bontecou. Persis, wife of Eliel Amadon, South Wilbraham. ——— “ “ Enoch Badger.	
July 6.	Semantha Stedman.	
Aug. 25.	James Chapin, Granby, Mass.	
Sep. 1.	Salina Whitmore. Ascenath Stebbins.	
Oct. 7.	Harvey Bliss, } Abigail Bliss, } Putney, Vt.	
Oct. 7.	Celina, wife of Cyrus Newel, South Wilbraham. Lucy, “ “ Henry Chapin, Hadley.	
Nov. 3.	Samuel Moseley, Hampton C.	



Dec. 29. Mary, wife of Jos. Winship.  
 Rebekah Winship  
 Mary Bliss.  
 Sarah L. King. 29.

NOTE BY COMPILER: This year the "Standing Committee" became an institution of this church, for attending to applications for admission.

## 1823.

May 3. Polly Colson.  
 Allice, wife of John Wood, 2nd.  
 Marvin Welman.  
 Franklin Bliss, Onondaga, N. Y.  
 Annis, wife of J. C. Stebbins, Brimfield.  
 Caroline, wife of Oliver Warner, Northampton.

July 6 Betsey, " " Hezekiah Wheeler.  
 Hannah, " " Joseph Lombard, Jr.  
 Eunice, " " Roger Adams, Boston.  
 Harriet, " " James Brewer, Enfield.  
 Roxanna, " " Stephen Warren, Leonox.  
 Caroline Taylor, Somers, Conn.  
 Cap. Luther Colton, }  
 Maria Colton, } Longmeadow.

Aug. 24. Jonathan Winslow, Worcester.  
 Amy, wife of Reuben Wood, from 2nd ch. in East longmeadow.  
 Susan, wife of Joseph Ashley, from Longmeadow.  
 Julia Ann, wife of Charles Stevens, N. Wilbraham.

Sep. 3. Charles Burnam.

Nov. 3. Charles Goodwin.  
 Wid. Hannah Russell.  
 John Kilbon. 22.

## 1824.

March 7. Elijah Bliss.  
 Jerusha Clark.  
 ————wife of Eli Stevenson.  
 Pamel, " " Moses Hanbert.  
 Boardman Hubbard, }  
 Olive Hubbard, } Middletown.

NOTE BY COMPILER: B. Hubbard elected deacon Apr. 6, 1826.

Electa, wife of Henry Fuller, West Springfield.  
 Thomas M. Hunt, Northampton.

May 2. Galen Ames.  
 Bathsheba Chapin.  
 Lucretia Davis, Worthington.

Augt. 22. Eli Thorp, }  
 ——— Thorp, } Westfield.



- Sep. 3. Lucy Kirkham.  
 Sophronia Jones.  
 Lois Russel.  
 Melinda Stebbins.  
 —————, wife of Charles Wood.
- Sept. 3. Anna, wife of Ebenezer Hyde, Ellington, Con.  
 Lucy C., wife of Ebenr. Hyde, Jr., “ “
- Nov. 7. Amelia, “ “ Whitfield Chapin.  
 Esther Strong, from ch. in Northampton.  
 Philip Wilcox, “ “ “ Berlin, Conn.  
 Sophronia Cook, from ch. in Berlin, Conn.  
 Lucy, wife of Henry Stebbins, Westfield. 25.

1825.

- Feb. 27. Caroline, wife of W. H. Bowdoin, Monson.  
 Elijah Fisher, Independent ch., Middletown.  
 Naomi, wife of Wm. Grant, ch. Northampton.  
 Wid. Pamela Bates, ch. Longmeadow.  
 Mary Parker.
- Nov. 6. Stephen Hitchcock, } ch. in Chester.  
 Lucy Hitchcock, }  
 Samuel Walker, ch. in Belchertown. 8.
- Mar. 5. Sally, wife of Thos. M. Hunt, Northampton.  
 Cynthia, wife of Rufus Brown, Manlius, N. Y.

NOTE BY COMPILER: The last two names probably belong to March 5, 1826.

1826.

- May 7. Fredrick A. Packard. }  
 Elizabeth Packard. }  
 Luther Bliss. }  
 Rebekah Bliss. }  
 Ann, wife of Wm. Childs.
- July 2. Edwin Pitkin. }  
 Octavia Pitkin. }  
 Samuel Taylor.  
 Walter H. Bowdoin.  
 Abigail, wife of Rufus Rice.  
 Aurelia, “ “ Saml. McNary.  
 Henry Brewer, Jr.  
 Almira Colton.  
 Henry Rogers.  
 Caroline Shepherd.  
 Mary Shepherd.  
 Mary, wife of Lewis Briggs.  
 Rufus Brown.  
 Henry L. Bunker.  
 Sprowell Deane. }  
 Clarissa Deane. }



- Achsah Bliss.  
 Abner Crane.  
 Lucinda Hitchcock.  
 Sophia, wife of Zimri Richmond.  
 Edmund Rowland, } Union Village, N. Y.  
 Sarah Rowland, }  
 Hannah, wife of H. L. Bunker, Nantucket.  
 Sept. 3. Roswell Lombard.  
 Charles Blackman. }  
 Clarissa Blackman. }  
 Lemira, wife of Edward Bliss.  
 Sarah, " " Charles Eliot.  
 Nancy Colton.  
 Hannah Porter.  
 Cæsar Scott (col'd man).  
 24. Phoebe, wife of Otis Chapin, Durham. Ct.  
 Sarah, " " Saml. Eastman, Hardwick.  
 Nov. 5. Lucy Ferre.  
 Servia Ferre.  
 Emily Bliss.

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NOTE BY COMPILER: From this year all charges which might involve disciplinary measures in regard to any member, were referred to the "Standing Com." This year four missionaries to foreign fields were ordained to their work in this church, and Rufus Anderson, the veteran sec'y of the "American Board," was ordained to the ministry at the same time. Additions 51.

1827.

- Jan. 7. Miss Jemima Munn.  
 Mary Rumrill.  
 Arrabella Stebbins.  
 Harriet Stebbins.  
 Mary Wright.  
 Eliza Woodruff.  
 Celia Bliss.  
 Lucy Brewer.  
 Charlotte Sampson.  
 Harriet Sampson.  
 Rebekah Sacket.  
 Emeline Landpheare.  
 Harriet Eastman.  
 Merania Miller.  
 Stephen Sanderson.  
 Wm. Church Warriner.  
 Israel C. Warriner.  
 Henry Warriner.  
 Wm. W. Lee.  
 Isaac Bosworth.  
 Margret Clark.



Chester Gorham.  
 Henry Woodman, Jr.  
 John Blodget.  
 Mary Ann Rice.  
 Seth Hunt.  
 Wid. Maria Shaw.  
 Mary Shaw.  
 Julia Bliss.  
 Amanda Smith.  
 Vienna Simonds.  
 Epaphras Buckland. }  
 ——— Buckland. }  
 Maria Dale.  
 Sarah Perkins.  
 Linus Hubbard.  
 Chancy Colton.  
 Roswell C. Jerome.  
 Lovina Carlile.  
 Isabella, wife of George Callender.  
 Relief, “ “ Eli More.  
 Barnabas Stebbins.  
 Jerusha, wife of Merick Bates, 1st ch. West Springfield.  
 Eliza, “ “ S. Sturges, ch. Lee.  
 Wid. Mary Alvord, 1st ch. Windsor, Con.  
 May 6. Betsey Williston.  
 Mary Ingersoll.  
 Betsey Lloyd.  
 Jerusha Lloyd.  
 Susan Lombard.  
 Deniah Lombard.  
 Delia Stebbins.  
 Abigail B. Osgood.  
 Elizabeth Osgood.  
 Sophia Colton.  
 Melissa Smith.  
 Abigail Tucker.  
 Frances, wife of Ebenr. Russel.  
 Francis Russel, 2nd.  
 Sally Pynchon.  
 Mary Child.  
 Caroline Searle.  
 Charlotte, wife of Elijah Allen.  
 Oliver Cooley.  
 Franklin S. Foot.  
 Warren Prior.  
 James Brewer, 2nd.  
 Marshall B. Blake.  
 Mary Warriner.



- Thomas Bond, }  
 Jemima Bond, } from West Brookfield.  
 Horace Jerome, }  
 ——— Jerome, } New Haven.  
 Naomi, wife of Thaddeus Ferre, N. Wilbraham.  
 Delia Chapin, Medfield.  
 Hervey Sanderson, Chester.  
 Sep. 2. David S. Day.  
 Spencer Judd, }  
 Eliza S. Judd, } Northampton.  
 Elizabeth, wife of Edmund Palmer, West Springfield.  
 Thomas I. Shepherd, Enfield, Mass.  
 Nov. 4. Loisa Kingsbury.  
 Harriet Lusk. 83.  
 Additions, 83.

## 1828.

- Jan. 6. Cyrus Moody, }  
 ——— Moody, } ch. in Ludlow.  
 Betsey, wife of Alva Cooley, Somers.  
 Charlott, “ “ Wm. Ferre, Northampton.  
 Lynda, “ “ Chester Sexton, N. Wilbraham.  
 Edwin Booth, }  
 ——— Booth, } ch. in Longmeadow.  
 Mar. 2. Otis Lombard.  
 May 4. Charles Wyman.  
 July 5. Benjn. R. Crane, } Berlin, Conn.  
 Lucy Crane, } Middletown.  
 Robert G. Huntington, }  
 Lectana Huntington, } Tolland, Con.  
 Rubie H. Dart, N. Wilbraham. 14.

## 1829.

- Jan. 4. Edward Pynchon. }  
 Susan Pynchon. }

NOTE BY COMPILER: The large and beautiful clock in the church has lettered upon its face, “ A bequest to the First parish in Springfield by Edward Pynchon, Esq., 1850.”

- Sarah Pynchon.  
 Susan, wife of Joseph Stevens, from ch. in Greenwich, Mass.  
 Sep. 6. Wid. Elizabeth Schepper.  
 ——— wife of Simon Smith.  
 Emeline Bates (colored girl).  
 Silas Hibbard, }  
 Fanny Hibbard, } from ch. in Hadley.  
 Sep. 20. Mrs. Sybil Ferre, “ “ “ Chester.



Samuel P. Crane, }  
 Anna Crane, } from ch. in East Windsor, Con. 12.

## 1830.

Jany. Lewis Warriner.  
 Naomi, wife of Alva Whitmarsh, from Southampton.  
 Mar. 7. Sally, " " Joel Miller, from 1st ch. in Hartford, Con.  
 Mary Whitman.  
 May 2. Sally Dolph.  
 Dorcas Bartlett.  
 Maria Noyes.  
 June 13. Ralph Bliss, }  
 Mary Bliss, } from ch. in Norfolk, Con.  
 Ruth G. Sampson, from ch. in Monson.

## 1831.

Mar. 6. Lucy, wife of Bidkar Jones.  
 Mrs. Hannah Alford.  
 Timothy Baker, } from the ch. in Hawley.  
 Azubah Baker, } from 2nd ch. in Amherst.  
 Wife of John O. Moseley, from ch. in Northampton.  
 Mary, wife of Jonathan Wright, from ch. in Northampton.  
 Betsey, " " Erastus Stebbins, South Wilbraham.  
 Caroline, wife of James Chapin, Chester.  
 July 3. Mrs. Lucy, wife of John F. Stevens, from ch. in Green-  
 wick. 18.  
 Lucinda, wife of John Sacket, from Westfield.  
 Ann, " " Luther Sage, " Philadelphia.  
 Lucius Hitchcock, from ch. in Becket.  
 Miner Hitchcock, " " " "  
 Lorinda, wife of Luther Grant, from 1st ch. in Hartford.  
 Mary, " " Henry Sargent, Pine Street ch., Boston.  
 Sep. 4. William Miller.  
 Rhoda Miller.  
 Maria Miller.  
 John F. Stevens.  
 David Judd.  
 Moses Hancock.  
 Edwin Bliss.  
 Edwin E. Bliss.

NOTE BY COMPILER: Missionary to Turkey in 1843, and still there (1885).

William H. Warner.  
 Clarinda Bond.  
 Lucy Ann Penniman.  
 Mary Ann Pease.  
 Eliza Pynchon.



Eliza Trask.  
 Sarah Trask.  
 Timothy H. Lombard.  
 Jerusha Murphy.  
 Mary L., wife of Marvin Henry.  
 Lucy,       “   “ Ephraim Williams.  
 Mary,       “   “ Oliver Sexton.  
 Electa Lombard.  
 Orpha Lombard.  
 Joseph B. Sheffield, from ch. in New Haven.  
 Orren Newton,   }  
 Miranda Newton, }       “   “   “ Somers.  
 Samuel Hills,   }  
 Aphia Hills,    } from So. ch. in Amherst.  
 Nov. 6. Samuel Reynolds.  
 Sophia, wife of Henry Booth.  
 Hannah,   “   “ Henry Collins.  
 Susan Ashcroft.  
 George Blake.   }  
 Huldah Blake.   }  
 Jane Russell.  
 Jonathan Hunt.  
 Thomas Bond, Jr.  
 Harriet Bontecou.  
 Simeon H. Calhoun.

NOTE BY COMPILER: Missionary to Turkey 1836 to 1870.

Elisa Burt.  
 Erastus M. Bates.  
 Lewis Briggs.  
 Caroline Bliss.  
 Mary Bliss.  
 Emily Child.  
 Caroline Witty.  
 Elizabeth Warriner.  
 Sarah Rowland.  
 Charlott Pynchon.  
 John Chaffee.  
 Samary Shaw.  
 Mary Ann McGillis.  
 Hannah T. Kingsberry.  
 Otis Child.  
 John Brewer.  
 Silas Chapman.  
 Electa Hubbard.  
 Edwin Forbes.  
 Rosanna Crane.  
 Eliza, wife of Lewis Bliss.  
 Cynthia Ann Child.



Harriet Child.  
Nancy Stebbins.  
Mary S. Osgood.  
Caroline Stebbins.  
Theodosia Hitchcock.  
Margaret Bliss.  
Laura Bliss.

NOTE BY COMPILER: Afterwards Home Missionary.

Martha, wife of Wm. Hunt.  
Mary, " " Saml. Walker.  
Franklin Coles.  
Wm. Hyde.  
Clarissa, wife of Wm. Cooley, Jr.  
Edward Ingersol.

NOTE BY COMPILER: Our venerable brother, Major Ingersoll.

Lucinda Sexton.  
Hannah Sexton.  
Emily Wright.  
Betsey Coolidge.  
Mrs. Hannah Ranney.  
Ebenezer Sturgess.  
Moses Dagget. }  
Lovisa Dagget. }  
Polly, wife of Saml. Moseley.  
Henry W. Lee.

NOTE BY COMPILER: Afterwards Bishop Lee.

Lucy, wife of Albert Morgan.  
\*George Merriam, } from the ch. West Brookfield.  
Abigail Merriam, }  
Sydney Spencer, } from the ch. in Manlius, N. Y.  
Emily Spencer, }  
Betsey, wife of Orren Wood, Somers, Con.  
Abigail Grovenor, Enfield, Mass. 97.

\*NOTE BY COMPILER: Chosen deacon, Mar. 5, 1833. Dismissed to South Church, 1842. Additions 97.

1832.

Jan. 1. Richard D. Morris.  
Oliver E. Wood.  
Martha Bontecou.  
David Loyd.  
Mar. 4. Ebenezer W. Thwing.  
David Hoar.  
Wid. Sophia Hodget, from ch. Westfield.  
Mary, wife of Walter Warriner, from ch. Chester.  
Charles Merriam, from Bowdoin St. ch., Boston.



Nov. 3.      Alpheus Nettleton.  
                Sophia Warriner.  
                William Sparhawk.  
                Charles Burnam, Jr.

12.

NOTE BY COMPILER: Dec. 16th of this year Charles Wood and ten others asked permission to colonize, "with a view to form a free church on the hill," which request was granted.

1833.

Jan. 6. Joseph Lombard.  
William Rood. }  
Lorinda Rood. }  
Lucy Ann Rood.  
Aaron Thwing. }  
Sarah Thwing. }  
Mary F. Miller.  
Mrs. Hannah Pease.  
Thomas Stanly, } from ch. in Berlin, Con.  
Elizabeth Stanly, }  
Eliza, wife of Galen Ames, 1st ch., Westspringfield.  
Lemuel Crosby, ch. in Hawley.  
Elizabeth Parsons, ch. in Norwich.

May 5. Orvin P. Wilson. }  
Harriet Wilson. }  
Wid. Rebekah Warriner.  
Wid. Tryphena Warriner.  
Wid. Margaret Wardwell.  
Loisa Badger.  
Wid. Phoebe Hubbard.  
Rodrick Lombard. }  
Alta Lombard. }  
Lucy Bliss.  
Hannah Bliss.  
Philura Dart.  
Lois Collins.  
Betsey C. Pease.  
Sophia Wood.  
Clarissa Boylston.  
Mary Collins.  
Cruden Moseley.  
Mary F. Moseley.  
Lucy Blake.  
Clarissa Dimick.  
Sarah Johnson.

July 1. Otis S. Baker, from 1st ch. in Worcester.  
Elizabeth Little, from the ch. in Newbraitree.  
Lois Burt, " " " East Hartford.



Ebenezer M. Dwight, from the ch. in Northampton.

Henry Morris, " " " " Amherst College.

NOTE BY COMPILER: Judge Morris has been frequently elected as one of the deacons, but declined to serve until 1867, when he yielded to the preferences of the church, and remained in office until 1883, resigning then on account of ill-health. As the historian of the First Church and of the Connecticut Valley, his services have been of inestimable value.

- Nov. 4. Orphane, wife of Elijah W Bliss.  
Charles Blake, ch. in Ovid, N. Y.
- Dec. 15. Henry A. Benton, } ch. in Pittsfield.  
Charlotte Benton, }  
Franklin Clark, } ch. in Sunderland.  
Marietta Clark, } " " Williamsburg.  
Wid. Abigail Willis, ch. in Ware.  
Robert Robinson, " " Pittsfield.  
Mrs. Charity Devotic, ch. in Vernon, N. Y. 49.

## 1834.

- May 4. Martin L. Child, 1st ch. in Worcester.  
Edward Badger " " " Longmeadow.  
David Paine, } ch. in Windsor, Con.  
Ann Paine, }

NOTE BY COMPILER: Feb. 2, Dr. Osgood preached a stringent temperance sermon, with the text, "Taste not." (Col. 2:21.)

## 1835.

- Mar. 1. Melinda, wife of Gideon Gardner.  
Eliza, " " Philip Wilcox.  
Martha, " " Luke Rixford.  
Martha, " " Edmund Stebbins.  
Hannah Miller.  
Mary Miller.  
Thirsa Miller.  
Dorcas Thompson.  
Mrs. Mary D. Dwight, 2nd ch. in Amherst.  
Sarah Dwight, " " " "  
Loisa P. Bliss, wife of Ralph B., ch. in Norfolk, Con.
- Ap'l 26. Samuel Jewet, Evangel'l ch. in Bolton, Mass.  
Betsey Jewet, " " " "  
Helen A. Jewet, " " " "  
Wm. Howland, ch. in Heath. 448.
- July 5. Ochran Dickinson. }  
Amelia Dickinson. }  
Dennis Dikeman. }  
Lucy Dikeman. }  
Jacob Miller. }  
Lydia Miller. }



Gordon Williston.  
Henry Hatch.  
Hervey Neland.  
Elias Champion.  
Oliver Bartlett.  
Edwin Eels.  
Hezekiah Caraway.  
Austin Parsons.  
Ebenezer Stearns.  
Albert Eldridge.  
Wm. Thompson.  
Rufus Rice.  
Samuel Ray.  
Henry Bliss.  
Luther Crosby.  
Edmund Palmer.  
Daniel C. Brewer.  
Mrs. Mary Ashley.  
“ Harriet Taylor.  
“ Maria Loisa Parks.  
Julia Phelps.  
Sarah Alden Dale.  
Miss Loisa Wood.  
Emma Bliss.

NOTE BY COMPILER: Afterwards wife of Henry J. Lennep, and Missionary to Turkey.

Jerusha Bliss.  
Lois Bliss.  
Mrs. Mabel Hobart.  
Miss Sophia Rice.  
Laura Brooks.  
Lucy Comstock.  
Lucinda Blake.  
Harriet Hunt.  
Mary Ann Sexton.  
Fidelia Baker.  
Sybil E. Bagg.  
Eunice Wright.  
Emily Parsons.  
Lucy Hodget.  
Jerusha Stebbins.  
Sarah Eastman.  
Margret Hubbard.  
Jenette Kirkham.  
Persis Goodman.  
Fanny F. Osgood.  
Mary Pomeroy.  
Caroline Jewet.



- Robert Crosset, Jr., } from 1st ch. in Northampton.  
 Weltha Crosset, }  
 Mrs. Lucy Fuller, from 1st ch. in Northampton.  
 Reuben A. Chapman, } from ch. in Monson.  
 Elizabeth Chapman, }  
 Mrs. Amanda Stearns, " " " "  
 Lyman Hitchcock, } from 1st ch. in So. Hadley.  
 Dorcas Hitchcock, }  
 Mrs. Harriet Adams, from ch. in North Mansfield.  
 " Laura Cross, " " " Portland, Me.  
 Benjamin Smith, } from West ch. in Granby.  
 Armenia Smith, }  
 Welthy Cowan, from ch. in Chester.  
 Mrs. Nancy Flagg, Ware Vil.  
 Sep. 7. Hervey Morse.  
 Horatio Crow.  
 Richard Bliss.  
 Mrs. Julia Hiscox.  
 " Fanny Bartlett.  
 Lucinda Alden.  
 Margret Brown.  
 Sarah Bond.  
 Sophia Bond.  
 Julia Ann Chapin.  
 Lucy Bliss.  
 Maria Morris. 100  
 Franklin Wilcox.  
 Adaline Eldridge.

NOTE BY COMPILER: This addition of 100 persons, of whom 83 united by profession, is noteworthy, considering the population of Springfield in 1835, and bearing in mind the addition of 97 persons in 1831, 49 persons in 1832, &c. This number of conversions in a single year was never equaled in the church except in 1878, at the Moody and Sankey revival.

1836.

- Mar. 6. Abigail Holman.  
 Wm. Barlow.  
 May 1. Lydia Orchard.  
 Eldad Goodman. }  
 Sarah Goodman. }  
 James Sanderson.  
 Mrs. Ann, wife of Luther Sage, 2nd ch., Middletown.  
 Frederick Bradley, ch. in West Stockbridge.  
 James Wallace, } 5th ch. in Springfield.  
 Sarah R. Wallace, }  
 July 3. Mrs. Ethelinda, wife of James Chapman.  
 Mrs. Mary Ann, wife of John P. Brewer.  
 Chancy Hubbard.  
 John P. Brewer, from 3rd Free ch., N. Y.



- George Crossett, } 1st ch., Northampton.  
 Elizabeth Crossett, } 1st ch., Charlestown, Mass.  
 July 30. Wm. W. Chapman.  
 Nov. 6. Wells Lathrop. 18.

NOTE BY COMPILER: Simeon H. Calhoun, ordained as missionary to Turkey in this church in November of this year.

1837.

- Feb. 20. Dr. Wm. Bridgman, } 1st ch. in Belchertown.  
 Jemima Bridgman, }  
 Mrs. Abigail Hale, ch. in Monson.  
 Calvin Ward, " " "  
 Francis Graves, " " Bennington.  
 Miss Sally Drake, " " Southwick.  
 Mrs. Polly, wife of Pitkin Crane, Esperance, N. Y.  
 Sep. 3. Robert Crosset.  
 Rodolphus Kinsley, } ch. in Cabotville.  
 Lucinda Kinsley, }  
 Rhoda Howard, ch. in Cabotville.  
 Elizabeth, wife of Lewis Warriner, 3rd Free ch. in N. Y. 12.

1838.

- January. Mary Ann Searle.  
 Charles Frost.  
 Edward Crane.  
 Cordial Crane.  
 Mrs. Lucy Graves, ch. in Hatfield.  
 Ashley P. Graves, " " "  
 Mary Ann Graves, " " "  
 Nancy Brainerd, " " Middletown.  
 July 1. Edwin Wilder.  
 Samuel Hills, Jr.  
 Horrace Braman.  
 Daniel Gay.  
 Ithamar Goodman, Jr.  
 Lewis Goodman.  
 Emily Bliss.  
 Mary Bond.  
 Hannah T. Carew.  
 Nancy Woodruff.  
 Elisabeth Lathrop.  
 Wm. Hatfield, ch. in Granby.  
 Lucy Graves, ch. in Hatfield.  
 Samuel Daniels, } 4th ch. in Springfield.  
 Harriet Daniels, }  
 \*Benjamin Eldridge, } Murray St., New York.  
 Eliza Eldridge, }

\*NOTE BY COMPILER: Elected deacon in 1842.



- Garry Morrison, } ch in Chester.  
 Harriet Morrison, }  
 Betsey Fisher, Cabbotville.  
 William Hobbs, "  
 Mrs. Lucy A. G. Cowles, 2nd ch., Hartford.  
 Sept. 2. Theophilus Graves, } ch. in Bennington, Vt.  
 ——— Graves, }  
 Caroline Graves, ch. in Bennington, Vt.  
 Hannah Fuller, " " Chicopee.  
 Walter Stanley. 35.

1839.

- June 2. David P. King, } ch. in Monson.  
 Almira King, }  
 Mrs. Ascenath Hitchcock, ch. in Chickopee.  
 Mrs. Harriet, wife of Wm. Miller, Jr., Hatfield.  
 Thomas P. Whitmarsh, ch. in Newburg, N. Y.  
 Mrs. Desire Bangs, " " Hawley.  
 " Phebe Shattuck, " " "  
 Edwin Spooner, } Edwards ch., Northampton.  
 Mary Ann Spooner, }  
 Sept. 1. Sam'l Worcester Reed. 10.

1840.

- Jan. 5. Mrs. Catherine Belden.  
 Andalusia F. Fuller.  
 Ellen Rowland.  
 Francis Andrew.  
 Caroline Donald.  
 Mrs. Lydia Lathrop, ch. in So. Weymouth.  
 " Lucy Holcomb, " " Bolton.  
 Mar. 1. Eliza Crane.  
 William Stow, ch. in Westfield.  
 May 3. Mrs. Grace Achison.  
 Dr. Henry Vaile, } ch. in Longmeadow. 12.  
 Mrs. Ann Vaile, }

1841.

- Jan. 3. Elizabeth L. Clapp.  
 Ann Elizabeth Stebbins.  
 Sam'l Ray, from Cong'l ch., New York.  
 Mrs. Clarissa Shurtleff, from ch. in Norwich, Vt.  
 " Lucy Whipple, " 1st ch. in Northampton.  
 " Palmelia Clough, " ch. in Syracuse, N. Y.  
 " Mercy Smith, " " " Granby, Mass.  
 Mr. Marvin Wellmon, } " " " West Springfield.  
 Mrs. Mary Wellmon, }  
 Mr. Samuel E. Bailey, " " " Millidgeville, Ga.



	Mr. Chas. K. Crocker,	} 2nd ch., Brooklyn, N. Y.	
	Mrs. Julian Crocker,		
	David C. M. Rupp,		Canandaigua, N. Y.
Sept.	Mary Bailey.		
	Mrs. Mary Woodman.		
	Sarah H. Osgood.		
	Mary Chapin.		
	Julia Chapin.		
	Mary Blake.		
	Maria W. Blake.		
	Augusta Eliot.		
	Achsah A. Buckland.		
	Susan Taylor.		
	Alfred L. Townsley,		ch. in Somers, Con.
	Mrs. Sophronia Glover,		ch., N. Wilbraham.
	Chauncey L. Covell,		North ch., Hartford.
	Mrs. Eliza Day,		1 ch., West Springfield.
	Catherine P. Kingsbury,		ch. in Needham.

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1842.

March 6.	Mrs. Mary Ann Dickinson.		
	Sarah E. Chapman.		
	Laura A. Jenks.		
	Elijah Dickinson, ch. in Hadley.		
April 17.	Mrs. Mary Davis, “ “ Grafton.		
June 20.	Number of males in the church at this time, 101; females, 315; total, 416.		
July.	Mrs. Almira Clark.		
	Esther King, ch. in Enfield, Conn.		
	Mrs., wife of Marvin Foster, ch. in Whately.		
Sept.	Mrs. Melita Freeman, Ware Vil.		
Nov.	Charlotte Stebbins.		
	Hannah Tilden.		
	Henry D. Wallace,	} Saratoga Springs.	15.
	Lucy Ann Wallace,		

NOTE BY COMPILER: This year 38 members were dismissed to organize the "South" church.

1843.

January.	Wealthy W. Shattuck.		
	Nancy Buskirk.		
Mar. 3.	Mrs. Sarah Ann Spooner.		
July 2.	Josiah B. Allen.		
	Newel A. Spencer.		
	James H. Osgood.		
	Elizabeth L. Chapin.		
	Elizabeth Bowers.		
	Sarah Goodman.		



- Mrs. Maria, wife of Walter Stanley, ch. Hartford.  
 Cynthia, " " Elihu Hunt, " Northampton.  
 Elihu Hunt, ch. Westhampton.
- Sept. 2. Mrs. Marytta P. Rice, ch. in Westspringfield.  
 Miss Abigail Harlow, " " Wethersfield, Conn.  
 Aaron Davis, } ch. in Newark, N. J.  
 Sarah Davis, }
- Oct. Mrs. Lucretia Green, 1st ch. in Westspringfield.  
 Mrs. Sarah Cargin, ch. in 6th St., New York.
- Nov. 4. Capt. Henry Morris.  
 Lois Bond.  
 Dr. James M. Smith, from ch. in Westfield.  
 \*John R. Hixon, } from Calvinistic Ch. in Taunton.  
 Martha Hixon, }

\*NOTE BY COMPILER: Elected deacon Dec. 21, 1865, and still occupies the office as senior deacon.

1844.

- Jan. 7. Gardner Adams. }  
 Eunice R. Adams. }  
 Lois, wife of George Gardner.  
 Lucy, " " Edmund Allen.  
 Harriet, wife of Charles Child.  
 Annis, " " Wm. Hatfield.  
 Wm. Devines.  
 Chloe Bliss.  
 Mrs. Rubie Bliss.
- Mar. 4. Wid. Clarissa Harris.  
 Henry Glover.  
 Mrs. Harriet Willis, ch. in Deerfield.  
 Mary, wife of Dan'l Gay, ch. in So. Hadley.  
 Harriet Octavia Harris.
- May 5. James Brewer.  
 Mary Brewer.  
 Eunice Brewer.  
 Sarah Adams.  
 Wm. A. Kent.  
 Chauncey Chapin.

NOTE BY COMPILER. Elected deacon 1848.

Cornelia Lombard.  
 Lovina D. Bailey.  
 Wm. Callender. }  
 Harriet Callender. }  
 Sarah Steele.  
 Benjamin Steele.  
 Reuben L. Finch. }  
 Sarah Finch. }



John Avery.  
 Mary Avery.  
 Silas W. Browning.  
 Ebenr. Bliss.  
 Julia Bates.  
 Elizabeth Bates.

NOTE BY COMPILER: Afterwards City Missionary of First Ch., and still serving.

Helen M. Osgood.  
 Mrs. Sarah Scott.  
 Perry Goodel. }  
 Mary Goodel. }  
 Mrs. Clarissa B. Day.  
 Dolly Miller.  
 Aurelia Miller.  
 Sarah Goodman.  
 Lydia Bates.  
 Azubah Hendricks.  
 Caroline Stebbins.  
 Mary Anderson.  
 Venus Simons (colored).  
 Nathaniel Taylor.  
 Sarah Taylor.  
 Harriet Blake.  
 Frances Kirkham.  
 Danl. L. Harris, from ch. in Plainfield, Conn.  
 Eunice Winchell, " " " Suffield, "  
 Zephaniah Hunt, from Fourth Ch. in Springfield.  
 Aaron S. Ogden, } from Fourth Ch. in Hartford.  
 Elizabeth Ogden, }  
 Mrs. Catharine West, from ch. in Templeton.  
 Sept. Lewis White, } from ch. in Northampton.  
 ——— White, }  
 Wm. Smith, from Salem Ch., Boston.  
 Wm. S. Bosworth, from ch. in Mansfield.  
 Sept. 8. Mrs. Mercy Chapin, wife of Danl., from ch. in W. Springfield.  
 Mrs. Harriet Warner, wife of Solo., from ch. in Enfield, Conn.  
 Dr. Flavius Searle, from ch. in S. Hampton.

1845.

Feb. 16. Mrs. Mary M. Sargent, from Fourth Ch., Springfield.  
 20. Peter Briggs, } " " " "  
 Mrs. Peter Briggs, }  
 Miss Miranda Briggs.  
 Silas S. Caral, from ch. in Monson.  
 May 4. Fanny F. Browning, from ch. in Ware.  
 Maria W. Alden, from First Pres. Ch., Albany.  
 Nancy Holman, from So. Ch., Springfield.  
 Saml. Dwight Holman.



- Seneca Griswold. }  
 Mary F. Griswold. }  
 Henry Sargent.  
 Walter Chapin.  
 Ann Palmer.  
 Miranda Lombard, from ch. in Hinsdale.  
 July 6. Waitstill Hastings, } ch. in Charlemont.  
 Julia Hastings, }  
 Henry L. Burpee, ch. in Somers.  
 Susan J. Burpee, ch. in West Springfield.  
 Aug. 10. Mrs. Mercy Osborn.  
 24. Ed. D. Bangs, } ch. in Amherst College.  
 Amelia F. Bangs, } " " S. Hadley.  
 De Esting F. Field, } ch. in Leverett.  
 Mrs. Editha Field, }  
 Mrs. Sina Field.  
 Oct. 10. Jane, wife of Dr. Smith, ch. in Suffield.  
 Roxalana, wife of Horace Kibbee, ch. in Ellington.  
 Nov. 2. Miss Alsa Jenks.

NOTE BY COMPILER: 1844-45 witnessed another revival under Dr. Osgood's ministrations. During this season week-day prayer-meetings at 8 A. M., were held in the old Mechanics' Hall.

## 1846.

- Jan. 4. Rachel, wife Doct. Gray.  
 Dea. Saml. Hastings, } from ch. in Charlemont.  
 Lucy Hastings, }  
 Geo. Hastings, } " " " Shelburne.  
 Lucy Jane Hastings, }  
 Simeon Olmsted, } from Fourth Ch., Springfield.  
 ——— Olmsted, }  
 Charles Whittemore.  
 April 19. Roxana Rogers, from ch. in Hardwick.  
 Anson Hubbard, } from ch. in Plymouth.  
 ——— Hubbard, }  
 Henry A. Sikes, } from ch. in Suffield, Ct.  
 Julia H. Sikes, }  
 July 5. Henry Avery, from ch. in Windsor, Ct.  
 Lucia Eastman, " " " Longmeadow.  
 Aug. 9. Ebenr. R. Warner, } from ch. in N. Wilbraham.  
 Ruby Warner, }  
 Betsey, wife of Wm. Cooley, Jr., from ch. in Hartford Center.  
 Sept. 27. Otis K. Ladd, } from ch. in Tolland, Ct.  
 Hannah Ladd, }



## 1847.

- Jan. 1. Clarissa, wife of Noah Ashley.  
 March 6. Maria, " " C. A. Bugbee.  
 Mrs. Mary Cofran.  
 Daniel Chapin.  
 Charles A. Bugbee, from ch. in Northampton.  
 \*Daniel Reynolds, } from ch. in E. Hartford.  
 Emily Reynolds, }  
 July 4. Wife of Wm. Devines.  
 Sept. 5. Mrs. Elizabeth Fitch, from ch. in Otis.

\*NOTE BY COMPILER: Deacon 1850 to '65; church clerk 1851 to '54. Died in 1881, aged 76.

## 1848.

- Mar. 4. Harvey Bliss, Jun., from ch. in West Springfield.  
 Thomas Middleton, } from First Ch. in Charlestown.  
 ——— Middleton, }  
 Susan Priscenda Snow, from First Ch., Hartford.  
 Rhoda Blake, wife of Chas., from Baptist ch., Hartford.  
 May 7. \*Levi P. Rowland, } ch. in Lisbon, Ct.  
 ——— Rowland, }

\*NOTE BY COMPILER. Elected deacon 1856.

- Martha Calhoun, ch. in Owego, N. Y.  
 June 26. Electa, wife of Henry Fuller, from Fourth ch.  
 Mrs. Jane E. Comstock, from ch. in Westfield.  
 July 2. Doct. S. J. S. Rogers, from Pres. ch. in Baltimore.  
 Emerson Wight, from ch. in Sturbridge.

NOTE BY COMPILER: Elected parish treasurer 1874-6.

- Sept. 3. Elinora, wife of Hervey Bliss, Jr.  
 Emily, " " S. C. Ray.  
 Dec. 15. Mrs. Catharine Conklin, from North Ch.  
 Hannah, wife of Harvey Chapin, from Fourth Church.

## 1849.

- Feb. 18. Mrs. Abigail Grant, First Ch. in Longmeadow.  
 Harvey Bliss, }  
 Abigail Bliss, }  
 Marshal Bliss, } from church in West Springfield.  
 Eliza E. Bliss, }  
 April 8. Mary S. Reynolds, " " " Greenwich.  
 22. Mrs. Henry Root, " " " Westfield.  
 May 6. Henry W. Shaw.  
 Geo. W. Lyman, }  
 Susan B. Lyman, } from church in Middlefield.  
 Henry J. D. Schermerhorn, from church in Geneva, N. Y.  
 July 15. Rhoda C., wife of Asahel Hubbard, from Fourth Church.  
 Rebecca, wife of Sable Rogers, " " "



- Aug. 5. Benj. F. Walcott, } from Third Church, Springfield.  
Julia M. Walcott, } from church in Mason.
- Sept. 2. Adelaide Hitchcock.  
Merick Houghton, from church in Amherst.
- Nov. 4. Robert Clisbe.  
James Lombard.  
John Richards.  
Oliver W. Miller.
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NOTE BY COMPILER: Dr. Osgood records the fact in a sermon this year that in the past 40 years of his pastorate here he had been detained from the house of God only one whole Sabbath and half of two others, and this from lameness rather than sickness.

1850.

- Jan. 5. Francis A. Brewer.  
Mrs. Marcia Solace, church in ———.
- Mar. 17. Mrs. Sally Bruce, church in Hardwick.  
Mrs. Elmira S. Bruce, church in Hardwick.  
Louisa S. Bruce, church in Hardwick.
- May 3. Abby Wellmon.  
Mary Wellmon.  
Elizabeth Crossett.  
Caroline W. Goodman.
- June 16. Sarah W., wife of Dr. Vaille, from Ortho. Ch. in Walpole.  
Simeon Newell, } from church in Longmeadow.  
Mrs. Harriet Newell, }  
Horace Mather, from church in Suffield.
- July 7. Eunice, wife of Moses B. Brown.  
Orpah, wife of John Warriner.  
Cynthia, wife of Stephen Atwood.  
Emily Newell.  
Mary Wood.  
Amelia Wood.  
Ellen H. Ashton.
29. Mrs. Flavia Wood, from church in Enfield, Ct.  
Andrew Huntington, } from Fourth Church, Springfield.  
Mrs. Mary F. Huntington, } from church in Lisbon, Ct.
- Aug. 18. Mary, wife of Henry W. Shaw, from church in Northampton.
- Nov. 24. Louisa Dickinson, from church on the Hill.

NOTE BY COMPILER: Population of Springfield in 1850, 11,330.

1851.

- Jan. 5. Samuel Walker, } from North Church.  
Mary Walker, }  
“ William Walker, } from North Church.  
Margaret Walker, }  
“ Everett W. Walker, from church in Belchertown.  
“ Caroline Bliss.  
“ Mrs. Mary Merrick.



- Jan. 5. Mrs. Lucy Lyman.  
 " Amelia E. Chapin.  
 " Caroline H. Wilson.  
 " Jane Rice.  
 " Frances A., wife of Danl. Pyncheon, church in Stonington.  
 April. Mrs. Jane W. Hooker, church in West Hampton. 14.

NOTE BY COMPILER: July 1, 1851, grand concert in the church by the famous "Swedish Nightingale," Jenny Lind.

## 1852.

- March. Charles B. Ball, church in Lee.  
 " Emeline Crosby, church in Washington, Indiana.  
 Nov. 7. William Cooley.  
 7. Mrs. Louisa Fletcher.  
 " Mary E. Reynolds.

NOTE BY COMPILER: Afterwards missionary A. B. C. F. M. (Bulgaria).

7. Arthur N. Clark.

## 1853.

- May 1. Widow Harriet Smith.  
 May 1. Mrs. Emily Fitts, wife Lewis.  
 Feb. 27. Maretta Brown, from church in Lee.  
 July 3. Miss Lucy A. Hatfield.  
 3. Miss Jane Wallace.  
 3. Louisa Stebbins.  
 Feb. 27. Mrs. Sarah M., wife Henry Rice, church in Enfield, Conn.  
 " Mrs. Marcia, wife Noah Wright, church in Sunderland.  
 Aug. 21. Mrs. Marion Gibbons, from church in Franklin, N. Y.  
 Elisha Bliss, } from church in Agawam.  
 Almira Bliss, }  
 Nov. 6. Doct Lewis Hurd, } Congregational church, Chicago.  
 Caroline W. Hurd, }  
 Wm. S. Keep, church in North Brookfield.  
 Miss Lucy M. Dale, church in Rutland.  
 Miss Emeline Work, church in New Haven.

## 1854.

- May Miss Jane Gregg, church in Bridgeport.  
 \*Mrs. Marcia, wife of Francis Brewer, church in Hinsdale.

NOTE BY COMPILER: With the preceding name, the records of Dr. Osgood come to an end. During his pastorate 1,257 were added to the church.

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"Blessed be the Lord God of Israel from everlasting to everlasting, and let all the people say Amen. Praise ye the Lord."



## REV. SAMUEL OSGOOD, D. D.

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BY THEO. W. ELLIS.

OF stalwart frame and commanding presence, Dr. Osgood was for more than half a century a noticeable figure in the town of Springfield; and the physique fairly represented the man. The inheritance of a vigorous constitution, together with his simple habits and virtues, rendered him capable of great exertion and long endurance. His intellect was of the same order as his body—strong, wholesome, vigorous. In speech and in pulpit address he was always plain, at times even homely, but invariably to the point. Looking with single-eyed directness to the very heart of any matter under debate, and to the end of a problem, he was often in advance of his brethren; and like others of clear vision and positive convictions, he suffered the penalty of his prescience. He was frank, decided, and tenacious of the right; but he was likewise generous, forgiving and sympathetic. The well-known lithographic picture which remains of him instantly gives you the impression of an independent spirit, kind, serious, and truthful, but perfectly fearless in the field of moral conflict. And such exactly was the sixth pastor of the First Church.

The period of his ministry was remarkable for many and varied causes of excitement and discussion within the churches and without. To only four of these is there space for reference. In 1819, Dr. Channing (afterwards known as the “apostle of Unitarianism”) advocated the views of his school of worshipers with great zeal and ability, and, as a consequence, a ferment of excitement was created all over the State. This commotion is now nearly forgotten, and all the causes of it have shrunk to the narrowest limits; but at that period, and under the eloquence of Channing, the schism was like the Connecticut river when, swelling from the impetus of an unusual freshet, no one could calculate the changes that might ensue. Not less important, equally exciting, and more rancorous even, was the anti-slavery contest of twenty years later, when conservatism entrenched itself against the discussion of the huge crime and national evil of human bondage. Still another occasion of heated de-



bate and sharp division came into prominence in the endeavor to make a moral question of, and a moral stand against the time-honored drinking habits of the fathers. Meanwhile, other difficulties were inevitable; the town was growing and building up at considerable distances from Court Square, so that new meeting-houses were deemed necessary in various districts of the parish, and the old body was therefore frequently called upon to consider the religious needs of other localities, and to endure the dismissal of large colonies for the formation of new societies. Different denominations constituted churches of their own order between 1820 and 1840, and drew from the First Church any members who sympathized with their respective tenets. For all this work and these unusual conditions, Dr. Osgood was the right man in the right place; and none the less so, because in the graver causes of division, some of his timid friends would gladly have resorted to compromise, and would have trusted to tact and policy. But concession, as time has shown, would not only have proved futile but disastrous. The issue was to be met, and so far as the pulpit of the First Church was concerned, there was a square man to meet it squarely. He was very little of a manager, nothing of a trimmer, and never dissembled. No uncertain sound therefore issued from the trumpet of the First Church during those days. Conscious of divine appointment to his work, seeing clearly the truth as it had been handed down from the apostles, perfectly consistent and unyielding on moral issues, Dr. Osgood became necessarily the champion of orthodox belief; his bugle blasts rang long and loud and clear; and if some separated themselves and departed and others went to the rear discouraged, the body was stronger without the wavering and the ready-to-halt. Those who kept step to the music of the ancient faith grew more resolute and steadfast, and with a leader undismayed by numbers and unseduced by patronage, the standard was grandly upheld; the hosts marched on unflinchingly until, in this section of the field of polemic battle, victory was assured for right principles and for the faith once delivered to the saints.

And by the gracious appointment of his heavenly Father, when the campaign was finished there was granted to this faithful veteran the gratifying evidence that his struggles were not in vain; revival after revival followed upon and after his strong contentions for and defense of righteousness and religion. Small as the population of Springfield then was, over one thousand souls were added to the church by profession alone during his ministry. Some of those who



had been foremost in denouncing his inflexible adherence to convictions of duty frankly admitted the wrong they had done him, and asked his forgiveness; friends, neighbors, and former church associates who had differed from him, as the years rolled on, recognized with kindest feelings the intrepid and self-denying spirit of the man, and gladly did homage to his unselfishness, reverencing the genuine virtues and Christian graces which trials and years had served but to heighten and brighten. Venerable for lengthened days and completed service, he finished his first and only charge over the flock of Christ as he had lived and labored in it, without a shadow or a stain upon the unsullied repute with which he began his ministry.

The time has come when his courage and persistence may be fully appreciated, and without implying the slightest reflection upon the motives and conduct of those earlier separatists whose doctrinal views he so strenuously opposed, just credit may now be awarded to his memory for the rare and unshrinking fidelity which, under trying circumstances, characterized a long pastorate and distinguished it as little less than heroic. He was the man for the crisis; the soldier for the battle. And he acted his part nobly and well. To-day there are no two opinions on the moral issues in which he was enlisted; all side with him in the views for which he contended. Upon the great doctrine in dispute in his day, the church is not less of a unit at this hour than in the ages before. Thanks to his firmness in the critical juncture, a firmness maintained at the highest personal cost, the landmarks of apostolic Christianity in this vicinity were not swept away by the rushing torrent. The peace which his zeal and sacrifices conquered, we enjoy; and we should be ungrateful indeed to forget the yeoman service which he rendered to the church of Christ.

But no reference to the trials of his ministry and the unfaltering steadiness of his course would be complete without recognition of the commanding sweetness and devotion of his heroic wife. Her simple trust in Christ, the sanctified beauty of her face, and the grace of her manners, not only were the joy of her husband, but through all the long years of his labors, they held with gentle sway the hearts of many who might otherwise have become weary in well doing, if not alienated from the ancient faith. Thoughtful, self-denying, and unflinching, she was worthy of the post of honor which she filled, and grandly contributed to the successful issue of the work which Dr. Osgood accomplished for the truth of Christ, and for our benefit, in the city of Springfield.



1855.

NOTE BY COMPILER: The ministry of Rev. H. M. Parsons commenced Nov. 15, 1854.

Jan. 5. Levi P. Rowland, Jr., profession.

NOTE BY COMPILER: Elected deacon March, 1856.

Ellen P. Rowland, profession.

Henrietta S. Chapin, “

Eliza B. Reynolds, “

Sarah C. Shaw, South Church, City.

May 4. D. Chauncey Brewer, profession.

NOTE BY COMPILER: Church clerk.

Margaret Aitcheson, profession.

Laura K. Talcott, “

Elizabeth Howard, “

Maria Foster, “

Mary L. Crossett, “

Henry Sargeant, } South Church, City.

Mary M. Sargeant, }

Samuel E. Bailey, } South Church, City.

Huldah T. Bailey, }

\*Lewis Warriner, } South Church, City.

Elizabeth L. Warriner, }

\*NOTE BY COMPILER: Elected deacon 1856, and for several terms afterwards.

Elizabeth C. Holman, South Church, City.

Mary E. Parsons, U. Pres. church, Richmond, Va.

Otis Childs, } Presbyterian church, Milledgeville, Ga.

Abbie Childs, }

Emeline L. Topliff, Congregational church, Southampton, Mass.

Elizabeth D. Rice, church, Guilford, Conn.

Adaline L. Mills, church Brooklyn, Conn.

Mary A. Brewer, Center Congregational church, Boston.

Ellen R. Crossett, church Walpole.

Mar. 2. Henrietta Burbank, church Feeding Hills.

Martha Burbank, church Feeding Hills.

Mary S. Bliss (Jewett), church Agawam.

June 29. Mary Aitchison, church Longmeadow.

Jane Aitchison, church Longmeadow.

Richard D. Hudson, church East Longmeadow.

Mary B. Hudson, church East Longmeadow.

John M. Brewster, church Amherst.

H. Minerva Mills, Salem Street Church, Worcester.

Lydia Gleason, Third Church, Chicopee.

Anna H. Lyman, Old South Church, Boston.

Frances B. Wright, Fourth Presbyterian Church, Albany.

Marvin Chapin, church at Westfield.

Jane R. Kline, profession.

Sarah Mills, profession.



- Cornelia S. Brewster, profession.  
 Abbie E. Rice, profession.  
 Aug. 31. Nelson W. Goddard, } letter, Springfield, Vt.  
 Sarah D. Goddard, }  
 Ann B. Abbe, letter, Enfield, Conn.  
 Nov. 2. Betsey V. Spencer, letter, Sunderland.  
 Lucinda Graham, letter, First Church, Palmer.  
 Maria O'Donnell, profession.  
 Jane E. Hancock, profession.  
 Harriet Adams, profession.

NOTE BY COMPILER: Whole number of members, 347.

## 1856.

- Jan. 4. Sophia Smith, church in Feeding Hills, Mass.  
 Roxanna Shearer, church in New Salem, Mass.  
 James S. Hutchins, First Trinity Church, Brooklyn, Conn.  
 Julia M. Hutchins, " " " "  
 Mary P. Moseley, South Church, City.  
 Elizabeth M. Taylor, profession.  
 Susan A. Kinsley, profession.  
 Julia A. Bates, profession.  
 Feb. 29. Joel S. Marsh, } Congregational church, Southwick, Mass.  
 Abby D. Marsh, }  
 Sarah B. Warriner (Merrick), profession.  
 Mary J. Wright, profession.  
 Seth W. Avery, profession.  
 May 2. Martha N. Birnie, South Church, City.  
 Sarah Tully, South Church, City.  
 Elizabeth L. Tully, South Church, City.  
 Hannah D. Hume, Presbyterian church in Huntington, L. I.  
 Harriet Fitzhugh, Congregational church, Nottingham, England.  
 Eunice Gardner, profession.  
 July 6. James L. Warriner, South Church, City.  
 Harriet M. Brown, church in Ludlow, Mass.  
 Lucy Ann Dikeman, profession.  
 Caroline Alice Wood, profession.  
 Sept. 7. Mary Ann Morton, Cong. church, South Hadley Falls.  
 Nov. 2. Albert L. Sturtevant, profession.

## 1857.

- Feb. 27. Betsey Adams, First Congregational Church, Suffield, Conn.  
 Edward O. Bragdon, Congregational church, Agawam.  
 May 1. Mrs. Mary Whitney, Congregational church in Conway.  
 Miss Frances J. Whitney, Congregational church in Conway.  
 Mrs. Laurinda C. Whitney, Congregational church, Conway.



- Joseph T. Webber, Congregational church, Monson.  
 Mrs. L. B. Webber, Congregational church, Monson.  
 J. Henry Dow, Congregational church, Hampton, N. H.  
 Mrs. Almenia Bond, First Church, Palmer.  
 Mary D. Chapin, profession.  
 Amelia L. Chapin, profession.  
 Sept. 4. Emeline Blue, Presbyterian church, Thompsonville, Conn.  
 Jane C. R. Cooley, Dutch Reformed church, Belleville, N. J.  
 Nov. 1. Harriet A. Hunt, profession.  
 Margaret A. Whitney, First Cong. Church, Sandusky, O.  
 Mary Jane Rice, First Congregational Church, Longmeadow.

1858.

- Jan. 3. Mary W. Morris, profession.  
 Elizabeth Sargent, profession.  
 Mrs. Catherine S. Chaffee, church in Blandford.  
 Mar. 6. Julia B. Colton, Congregational church, Longmeadow.  
 Abigail McCormick, Congregational church, Grafton, Vt.  
 May 2. Abby Gardner, profession.  
 Julia E. Bemis, profession.  
 Sarah E. Bates, profession.  
 Eliza W. Dikeman, profession.  
 Anna G. Wingate, profession.  
 Sarah J. Crossett, profession.  
 William B. Calhoun, profession.  
 Nelson Lombard, profession.  
 George Crossett, profession.  
 July 4. Julia F. Chapin, church Windsor, Vt.  
 Walter E. Chapin, church, Windsor, Vt.  
 Nancy G. Wingate, Lawrence St. Church, Lawrence, Mass.  
 Margaret Bell, profession.

NOTE BY COMPILER: Afterwards wife of Rev. Henry Hascall, foreign missionary, Bulgaria.

Sarah J. Flagg, profession.  
 Lizzie C. Bliss, profession.  
 Nellie S. Childs, profession.  
 Abbie M. Marsh, profession.  
 Luther Bliss, Jr., profession.  
 Lucian Brown, profession.  
 James L. Mills, profession.  
 Elbridge Brigham, profession.

NOTE BY COMPILER: Elected deacon 1861.

- Elisha Morgan, profession.  
 Charles Cooley, profession.  
 Sept. 5. Robert B. Moores, Fourth Congregational Church, Hartford, Conn.  
 Lucy C. Palmer, profession.



Mary Coffran, profession.

Ellen Anderson, profession.

Sarah Hume, profession.

NOTE BY COMPILER: Now missionary A. B. C. F. M. in India.

Katie Hume, profession.

Hannah Hume, profession.

Edward C. Rogers, profession.

NOTE BY COMPILER: Church clerk 1870 to 1879; elected deacon 1879; parish treasurer 1877-81.

William H. Haile, profession.

NOTE BY COMPILER: Sunday-school superintendent 1878. Elected deacon but declined.

Elbridge Lombard, profession.

Nov. 5. A. A. Adey, } Christ Episcopal Church, City.

Harriet E. Adey, } profession.

Sarah E. Graham, profession.

Carrie F. Spooner, profession.

George W. Sargeant, profession.

John M. Chapin, profession.

NOTE BY COMPILER: A graduate of Yale and the Theological Seminary in Hartford; pastor of First Church, West Springfield, June, 1872; died October, 1872.

NOTE BY COMPILER: Total members, 353; additions this year 45; by profession 37.

### 1859.

March 4. John D. Tracy, } Beneficent Church, Providence, R. I.  
Harriet R. Tracy, }

Ruth Jennings, Presbyterian church, Pottsville, Pa.

May 1. Alfred P. Bartlett, profession.

Jonathan Wright, Presbyterian church, Cleveland, O.

Mary Wright, Presbyterian church, Cleveland, O.

July 3. A. A. Allen, North Church, City.

Mrs. A. R. Allen, North Church, City.

Mrs. A. B. Cooley, North Church, City.

Eliza A. Cooley, North Church, City.

Theo. Dillingham, North Church, City.

E. Jane Dillingham, North Church, City.

Mary Woodworth, Olivet Church, City.

John C. Kingsley, First Congregational Church, Waterbury,  
Conn.

Ann More (or Morse), First Church, Westfield.

Catharine Thomas, First Church, Westfield.

Emily M. Chapin, profession.

Hannah P. Blake, profession.

Orinda D. Sheare (French), profession.

Oct. 2. Frances B. Hixon, profession.

Nov. 4. Mrs. N. M. Swift, First Congregational Church, Colchester,  
Conn.

Mercy Osborn, First Cong. Church, Middletown, Conn.



## 1860.

- Jan. 1. Mary B. Brigham, profession.  
Sarah J. Jocelyn, profession.  
Miranda K. Lombard, North Church, City.
- May 6. William Bigelow, M. D., First Congregational Church, Bennington, Vt.  
Dorinda Bigelow, First Congregational Church, Bennington, Vt.  
Henry Bailey, profession.
- July 1. Mrs. Elizabeth Lovejoy, First Congregational Church, Clinton, Wis.
- Nov. 4. Lewis T. Porter, } North Church, City.  
Mary W. Porter, }  
Thomas H. Tucker, } Union Church, Worcester.  
Lucy E. Tucker, } First Cong. Church, Manchester, Conn.  
James Cleeland, } St. Johns Presbyterian Church, St Johns,  
Jane A. Cleeland, } N. B.  
Mary Lucinda Kinsley, profession.

## 1861.

- Jan. 6. \*Addison P. Ware, } profession.  
Sarah Bliss Ware, }

\*NOTE BY COMPILER: Elected deacon 1867, resigned 1871. Re-elected 1880, and still in office.

- Mar. 3. Mary S. Rice, profession.  
Richard W. Rice, profession.  
William A. Spooner, } First Church, Amherst.  
Eliza A. Spooner, }  
Mary Bemis, Congregational church, South Wilbraham.
- May 3. Maria O. Fuller (Winslow), East Congregational Church, Ware.
- July 7. Thomas S. Aitcheson, profession.  
Mrs. Abigail L. Bowen, Congregational church, Lee.  
James L. Root, Congregational church, Conway.
- Nov. 1. Sarah C. Higley, Congregational church, East Longmeadow.  
\*Roderick Burt, } Congregational church, North Wilbraham.  
Mariette Burt, }

\*NOTE BY COMPILER: Elected deacon 1865.

Sarah R. Burt, Congregational church, North Wilbraham.  
Lewis Foster, } Congregational church, Windsor, Vt.  
Mary P. Foster, }

## 1862.

- Jan. 3. Pardon H. Derby, Beneficent Congregational Church, Providence, R. I.



- Feb. 28. Solomon S. Judd, Congregational church, Southampton.  
 July 5. Mary A. Tracy, Congregational church, Agawam.  
 Sarah M. Deitz, First Presbyterian Church, Cohoes, N. Y.  
 Louisa E. Deitz, First Presbyterian Church, Cohoes, N. Y.

NOTE BY COMPILER: Afterwards Mrs. Frank Thompson and missionary to Sandwich Islands.

- Susan M. Sturtevant, Congregational church, Vernon, Conn.  
 Elisabeth F. Cooley (Phelps), Pyncheon Street Methodist Church, City.  
 Benjamin W. Wright, First Presbyterian Church, Marquette, Mich.  
 Charles H. Morris, profession.  
 Richard Bliss, Jr., profession.  
 Sept. 7. Noah Sagendorph, First Congregational Church, Monson.  
 John C. Spooner, } profession.  
 Eliza Jane Spooner, }  
 Oct. 29. George B. Bright, profession (on sick bed at home).  
 Nov. 2. Asa D. Gilmore, } profession.  
 Ann L. Gilmore, }  
 Sarah L. Rowland (Dyer), profession.  
 Mary S. Rowland, profession.  
 Mary F. Burt, profession.  
 William Allis, profession.  
 Arabella G. Simonds, North Church, New Haven, Conn.

NOTE BY COMPILER: Whole number of members, 365; males, 92; Sunday-school, 317.

1863.

- Jan. 2. William A. Chapin, Second Congregational Church, St. Johnsbury, Vt.  
 Elisabeth D. Chapin, Second Congregational Church, St. Johnsbury, Vt.  
 Mary Tucker, Salem Street Congregational Church, Worcester.  
 Sarah G. Morgan, wife E., Fourth Congregational Church, Hartford, Conn.  
 Elizabeth Perkins (Mosely), South Church, City.  
 Emily F. Mills, widow John, profession.  
 Emma F. Crossett (Mack), profession.  
 Elizabeth Lee Adams, profession.  
 Mar. 1. Lucy R. Gowdy, profession.  
 Lucinda W. Bartlett, Congregational church, Southampton.  
 Susan N. Richards, First Presbyterian Church, Jordan, Mass.  
 William K. Richards, First Presbyterian Church, Jordan, Mass.  
 Cornelia Richards, First Presbyterian Church, Jordan, Mass.  
 Elizabeth N. Wight, wife Emerson, Congregational church, Walpole.



- Emma E. Foster, profession.
- July 3. Eleanor S. Merriam (Woods), South Church, City.  
 Mrs. Harriet Segur, church West Killingly, Conn.  
 Lucy Stebbins, Congregational church, Granby.  
 Abby Hebard, Broadway Cong. Church, Norwich, Conn.  
 Rufus Chandler, } Congregational church, Monson.  
 Anna Chandler, }  
 O. F. Pinney, } Congregational church, Spencer.  
 Mary Ann Pinney, }
5. James Alexander, } profession.  
 Nancy A. Alexander, }
- Charlotte K. Stevens, profession.
- Sept. 4. Joseph C. Adams, } Congregational church, Holden.  
 Anna M. Adams, } Congregational church, Westminster.
- Oct. 30. Mary O. Davis, Congregational church, Agawam.  
 Frank Thompson, Presbyterian church, Cohoes, N. Y.
31. Julia C. Merrick, wife F. T., profession (on sick bed at home).

NOTE BY COMPILER: Whole number of members, 360.

1864.

- Jan. 1. Ezra E. Adams, } Congregational church, Barre, Vt.  
 Cornelia E. Adams, }
- Susan E. Covell, wife C. L., Congregational church, Lisbon,  
 Conn.
- Mar. 4. Temperance Caldwell, widow Jeremiah, Presbyterian church,  
 Schenectady, N. Y.  
 Sally Brown, widow Edwin, Congregational church, Hubbardston.
- March 4. Frances R. Buckland, Congregational church, Ellington, Conn.  
 Emma McKenzie, profession.  
 Ellen M. Cooley, “
- May 1. Harriet E. Richardson, widow H. A., profession.  
 Addie L. Day, profession.  
 Susan I. Caldwell, profession.  
 Laura P. Sykes, “  
 Emma L. Colton (Hartshorn), profession.  
 Elizabeth S. Warriner, profession.  
 Wm. B. Phelps, profession.  
 Frank H. Foster, “  
 Asa Frost, Congregational Church, Marlboro, N. H.  
 Julia A. Allen, wife E. G., First Congregational Church, North  
 Adams.  
 Harriet Willis, First Congregational Church, Meriden, Conn.  
 Elenora E. Goodwin, wife Wm., First Congregational Church,  
 Meriden, Conn.  
 Sarah O. Avery, widow Alex H., First Congregational Church,  
 Brookline, Mass.



- David H. Webster, }  
 Levia Webster, } North Congregational Church, City.  
 Fannie L. Webster, North Congregational Church, City.  
 Jeremiah J. Young, }  
 Mary Ann Young, } Second Congregational Church, Palmer.  
 Rodney Ayres, Congregational church, Granby.  
 Adelia R. Burt, Congregational church, Otisco, N. Y.
- July 3. Mary A. Briggs, profession.  
 Rebecca J. Briggs, profession.  
 Martha C. Calhoun, profession.  
 Emma L. Terry, profession.  
 Martha I. Segur.  
 Harriet A. Sykes (Barbour), profession.  
 Julia S. Ward, profession.  
 Julia F. Hubbard, profession.  
 Sarah W. Blake, profession.  
 Edwin R. Tucker, profession.  
 James S. Adams, profession.  
 Thomas P. Vaille, profession.  
 Edwin O. Childs, profession.  
 Arthur S. Burt, profession.  
 Theodore W. Chaffee, profession.  
 Frank S. Newell, profession.  
 Albert W. Longley, profession.  
 Otis Longley, }  
 Nancy L. Longley, } Union Congregational Church, Westford.  
 Warren I. Lyman, }  
 Emeline E. Lyman, } Congregational church, So. Hadley.  
 Jennie R. Wenzell, Congregational church, Ashland.  
 Mrs. Laura King, Congregational church, Vernon, Conn.  
 Elizabeth Mills, Presbyterian church, Great Bend, Pa.  
 Mary I. Fiske, Congregational church, Ludlow.
- Dec. 2. Julia Morris, Congregational church, Somers, Conn.  
 Eliza Butts, First Congregational Church, So. Hadley.  
 Louise C. Nutting, First Congregational Church, West Springfield.  
 Henry Bliss, Presbyterian church, Schaghticoke, N. Y.  
 Harriet Blakeslee, widow, profession.  
 Mary A. Fiske, profession.  
 Martha S. Cutler, profession.  
 Emma L. Wellman, profession.  
 Henrietta F. Graves, profession.  
 Lizzie C. Fuller, profession.  
 Alonzo Nutting, profession.

1865.

- Carrie G. Hall.  
 Jan. 1. Jennie L. Pease, Congregational church, Worthington, Mass.



Susan E. Filley, Congregational church, Bloomfield, Conn.

Eunice R. Filley, Congregational church, Bloomfield, Conn.

Hannah Bunker, North Congregational Church, City.

\*Nelson C. Newell, }  
Mary M. Newell, } First Congregational Church, Longmeadow.

\*NOTE BY COMPILER: Elected deacon, but declined.

Charlotte M. Sessions, First Congregational Church, Longmeadow.

\*Samuel R. Newell, }  
Augusta Newell, } First Congregational Church, Longmeadow.

\*NOTE BY COMPILER: Elected deacon 1871. Died 1878.

Isabella P. Newell, First Congregational Church, Longmeadow.

Mary A. Russell (Deming), First Congregational Church, Longmeadow.

Lucy Bartlett Stebbins, First Congregational Church, Longmeadow.

Lois E. Clark, profession.

Fannie B. Bunker, profession.

Feb. 2. Wm. J. Holland, }  
Clara F. Holland, } Congregational church, Belchertown.

March 3. Catharine Sears, Edwards Church, Northampton.  
Mary D. Vose, First Congregational Church, Westfield.  
Carrie Gardner, profession.

May 5. Samuel Colton, }  
Alice Colton, } Congregational church, West Granville.

Chas. H. Smith, }  
Sarah E. Smith, } Congregational church, Hadley.

June 30. A. J. Plumer, }  
Eliza A. Plumer, } Congregational church, Indian Orchard.

Ann E. Pearl, Congregational church, Otis.

July 2. Mary E. Avery, profession.

Sept. 3. Laura S. Frost (Perry), profession.

Nov. 5. Chas. W. Clark, First Congregational Church, Westfield.

Sarah R. Clark, First Congregational Church, Westfield.

Nov. 3. Joseph Butler, }  
Almira Butler, } Second Congregational Church, Holyoke.

Nancy F. Whiting, Union Church, Worcester.

Mary Ann Ives, Church of Jesus Christ, New Harmony, Pike county, Mo.

Mary Ann Roberts, Church of Jesus Christ, New Harmony, Pike county, Mo.

5. Charles G. Rice, profession.

Charles E. Plumb, profession.

NOTE BY COMPILER: Total membership, 429.



1866.

- Jan. 5. David A. Brown, } U. P. Church, Hartford, Conn.  
Jean Brown, }
7. Lucy M. Bly, wife Homer, profession.  
Lizzie Flagg, profession.  
William A. Pease, profession.  
William F. Adams, profession.  
William H. Bliss, profession.
- March 2. George P. Marsh, profession.  
Charlotte A. Titcomb, First Congregational Church, Westfield.  
Julia A. Rogers, wife Edw. C., First Presbyterian Church, Wil-  
mington, N. C.  
Aaron Wight, } First Congregational Church, Sturbridge.  
Ann Eliza Wight, }
- May 6. M. Louisa Whitmore, Congregational church, Webster.  
Susan Smith, wife Alfred, Congregational church, Dalton.  
Emma J. Atwood, wife Charles M., Congregational church,  
Dalton.  
Elihu J. Sikes, First Congregational Church, Ludlow.  
Jane M. Phelps, widow, profession.
5. Ella M. Lane, profession.  
Jennie A. Shaw, profession.  
Catharine J. Donelson, profession.  
John B. Whitmore, profession.  
Henry W. Cowles, profession.  
William D. Bates, profession.
- June 29. Alice Sophia Ilsley, Plymouth Congregational Church, Chelsea.  
Sophronia H. Throop, widow, First Congregational Church,  
Agawam.  
Hannah M. Baldwin, First Congregational Church, Litchfield,  
Conn.  
William C. Johnson, } Olivet Church, City.  
Velona Esther Johnson, }
- Aug. 31. Martha R. Barker, Methodist Episcopal church, Dalton.  
Anna A. Willey, profession.  
Charles S. Marsh, profession.  
Harriet Irene Harwood, Congregational church, Granby.  
Abby M. Clark, widow, First Congregational Church, Newark,  
N. J.
- Nov. 2. Eli S. Hoadley, } First Church of Christ, Hartford, Conn.  
Tirzah L. Hoadley, }
- Ellen A. Chellis, wife Benton, Congregational church, Col-  
chester, Vt.  
Julieta E. Parsons, wife Harmon, Methodist Episcopal church,  
Colchester, Vt.  
L. Milton Marsh, } Haven Street Church, Milwaukee, Wis.  
Julia E. Marsh, }



Julia E. Marsh, Haven Street Church, Milwaukee, Wis.  
John M. Smith, First Presbyterian Church, Boston.

NOTE BY COMPILER: Total membership, 447.

1867.

- January 6. Charles W. Rice, } Pynchon Street Methodist Episcopal Church,  
Lucy A. Rice, } City.  
Carrie J. R. Winans, Pynchon Street Methodist Episcopal  
Church, City.  
Betsey Ann Harrington, wife A. F., First Congregational  
Church, Pittsfield.  
\*James L. Johnson, } First Cong. Church, Lisbon, Conn.  
Sarah H. Johnson, } College Street Church, New Haven.

\*NOTE BY COMPILER: Elected Sunday-school superintendent 1876 and 1881; elected  
deacon 1884, and still in service.

- Edmund R. Wolcott, } Congregational church, Feeding Hills.  
Elizabeth Wolcott, }  
James H. Osgood, } Union Church, Worcester.  
Jane T. Osgood, }  
Betsey K. Matthews, Union Church, Worcester.  
Harvey E. Moseley, } Congregational church, Wilbraham.  
Sarah R. Moseley, }  
William W. Cole, Presbyterian church, Oaks Corners, N. Y.  
Emily A. Baker (Newell), profession.  
Alice J. Davis (Tobin), profession.  
Lucy K. Davis (Bugbee), profession.  
Mattie A. Goodrich, profession.  
Carrie L. Moseley, profession.  
Nellie B. Moseley, profession.  
Albert S. Tobin, profession.  
Lorin M. Cummings, profession.
- Mar. 1. Mary Parmenter, widow, Union Church, Worcester.  
Julia L. Howard, wife Frank, Park Street Church, Boston.  
Eliza Williams, Congregational church, Dana.  
Frances K. Kingsley, wife John, South Church, City.  
Albert J. Harrington, First Congregational Church, Pitts-  
field.
- May 5. Richard Cecil Barrett, } Congregational church, Somers,  
Catharine H. Barrett, } Conn.  
Mary G. Barber, widow, North Church, City.  
Ambrose E. Dorman, } Congregational church, Belchertown.  
Mary Ann Dorman, }  
Wilson Spear, } Evan. Cong. Church, Orange.  
Clara D. Spear (Stebbins), } Church of Christ, Sunderland.  
Newton I. Hawley, } Cong. church, Homer, N. Y.  
Marion McKnight Hawley, } South Church, City.  
Hiram B. Lane, } Second Congregational Church, Troy, Vt.  
Maria J. Lane, }



Lyman Hitchcock, }  
 Dorcas Hitchcock, } First Cong. Church, South Hadley.  
 Adelaide Hitchcock (White), wife E. P., First Congregational  
 Church, South Hadley.  
 Emeline Hendrick, Congregational church, Chicopee Falls.  
 George Crabtree, Second Congregational Church, Portland,  
 Me.

R. S. Warren, Congregational church, Eastford, Conn.

Fanny Louisa Clapp, widow, profession.

Eunice A. Townsley, widow, profession.

Lina B. Crabtree, wife George, profession.

Ann T. Parmenter, wife Charles, profession.

Ellen Hallock, wife Charles H., profession.

Elizabeth D. Remington, wife James L., profession.

Ellen M. Rice, profession.

Pamelia Hitchcock, profession.

Mary Hitchcock, profession.

Isaac R. Palmer, profession.

Charles E. Olmstead, profession.

May 19. Grace H. Aitcheson, profession.

July 7. Abijah W. Chapin, } profession.

“ Elizabeth H. Chapin, }

Emma Maria Bowman, profession.

Edith Derby, wife Pardon H., profession.

Martha E. Nye, wife George, profession.

Lucretia M. Nash, profession.

Sarah Jane Goodman, profession.

Cornelia K. Bryant, profession.

Jennie M. Wood (Paine), profession.

Mary A. Hancock, profession.

Augusta Tileston, profession.

Louisa H. Avery (Lincoln), profession.

Henrietta A. Willis (Wilcox), profession.

Kate A. Steisney, profession.

Albert S. Fox, profession.

Austin L. Leonard, profession.

NOTE BY COMPILER: Elected deacon 1874.

Henry Edson Dorman, profession.

Stephen A. Sargeant, profession.

Frank A. Bartlett, profession.

William K. Rice, Center Church, Brattleboro, Vt.

Katie M. Rice, Center Church, Brattleboro, Vt.

Lucelia D. Rice, Center Church, Brattleboro, Vt.

Miranda Greenleaf, wife J. F., Second Congregational church,  
 Rockville, Conn.



Tirzah Ann Hitchcock, wife Joseph, First Congregational Church, Westfield.

Ellen H. Morse, East Congregational Church, Ware.

Mary Wood, wife Lyman, North Church, City.

Susan Van Voorhees, First Church, Longmeadow.

Helen A. Fox, Congregational church, Montague.

Edwin L. Knight, } Second Congregational Church, Will-  
Harriet E. Knight, } iamspport.

Charles T. Lyon, } Congregational church, Brandon, Vt.  
Nellie C. Lyon, }

\*John Giles, } Congregational church, Hanover, Ohio.  
Mary A. Giles, }

\*NOTE BY COMPILER: Elected deacon November, 1882.

Aug. 30. John F. Lamberton, Pearl Street Church, Hartford, Conn.  
Delina Ferry, First Congregational Church, Granby.

Orrin E. Pease, First Congregational Church, Granby.

Clara H. Childs, profession.

Earl Swift Adams, profession.

Nov. 1. Ossian Bugbee, profession.

Mary L. Warner, wife Alfred, profession.

Horace S. Newell, }  
Cornelia M. Newell, } First Cong. Church, Longmeadow.

Catharine B. Newell, First Congregational Church, Longmeadow.

Ellen P. Newell (Ingersoll), First Congregational Church, Longmeadow.

Phebe A. Richardson, Congregational church, Greenfield, N. H.

Phebe A. Cooper (Eldridge), Second Presbyterian Church, Mendham, N. J.

Elvira M. Porter, First Congregational Church, Rawsonville, Lorain County, Ohio.

Herbert P. Porter, First Congregational Church, Rawsonville, Lorain County, Ohio.

Ellen E. Bugbee, wife Ossian, Congregational church, Mansfield, Conn.

Julia A. Allis, Second Congregational Church, Rockville, Conn.

NOTE BY COMPILER: Additions this year, 107; by profession, 43. Total members, 522.

1868.

Jan. 3. Amos Shaw, } First Congregational Church, West Springfield,  
Acsah Shaw, } Mass.

C. R. Whittemore, } First Congregational Church, West  
Martha A. Whittemore, } Springfield, Mass.



Julia M. Sullivan, First Congregational Church, West Springfield, Mass.

Calvin Perry, }  
Harriet C. Perry, } Southbridge.

Oliver H. Perry, Southbridge.

John Kent, }  
Almira A. Kent, } West Granville.

Orpha P. Kent, West Granville.

Helen M. Kent, West Granville.

Mary Ann Hollister, First Congregational Church, Longmeadow, Mass.

Frederic H. Judd, }  
Elizabeth A. Judd, } West Hampton.

Harriet A. Judd, West Hampton.

Charles L. Simonds, } Olivet Congregational Church, Springfield, Mass.  
Sarah E. Simonds, }

Nathan L. Buck, }  
Elmira S. Buck, } Presbyterian church, B. Falls, N. Y.

Delia Darrow, widow, First Congregational Church, Chicago, Ill.

Sarah Merritt, Otis.

March 1. Electa Elthea Hopkins, First Congregational Church, Agawam, Mass.

Elsie M. G. Barton, First Congregational Church, North Brookfield, Mass.

Lavinia Hunter, Congregational church, Chicopee Falls, Mass.

Miranda C. Rice, Center Congregational Church, Brattleboro, Vt.

Wealthy Alden, wife Caleb, First Congregational Church, Westfield, Mass.

Mary Adams Birnie, Reformed Protestant church, Hastings, N. Y.

Frances C. Billings, Congregational church, Somers, Conn.

Julia Cornelia Billings, Congregational church, Somers, Conn.

Ada Frances Billings, Congregational church, Somers, Conn.

Lovisa H. Dumbleton, profession.

Emily E. Wolcott, profession.

Tirzah H. Snow, profession.

Tillie W. Duffield, profession.

May 3. Ellen M. Eldridge, wife Hiram, profession.

Elvina Bingham, profession.

Frederick O. Vaille, profession.

Charles L. Chapin, }  
Abby Chapin, } Congregational church, Warren.

Frances M. Lombard, wife Orrin N., Congregational church, South Wilbraham, Mass.

Lavinia T. Small, Congregational church, Stafford Springs, Conn.



- July 3. Maria E. Leonard, wife Austin L., profession.  
 Mary J. Mayott, wife Lafayette, profession.
- Nov. 1. Mary Jane Clark, profession.  
 Hannah Moody, First Presbyterian Church, Hartford, Conn.

NOTE BY COMPILER: Total additions this year, 46; by profession, 10. Membership, 547.

1869.

- Jan. 3. Elizabeth Havens, wife P. V. B., profession.  
 Sarah L. Havens, profession.  
 Alice S. Graves, profession.  
 Hattie J. Rice, profession.  
 Mary E. Chapman, profession.  
 Helen Morris, profession.  
 Frederick H. Rice, profession.  
 Ann A. Gouch, wife George, South Congregational Church,  
 Springfield, Mass.  
 Mary D. Waterman, wife Daniel M., South Congregational  
 Church, Springfield, Mass.  
 Edward Tower, } First Congregational Church, Chicopee, Mass.  
 Mary Tower, }  
 Henry J. Fuller, } Congregational church, Somers, Conn.  
 Mary L. Fuller, }  
 Phebe A. Richards, widow William Henry, 1st, First Congrega-  
 tional Church, West Springfield, Mass.  
 Mary Foster, widow William, Congregational church, Aga-  
 wam, Mass.  
 Frank H. Foster, Congregational church, Agawam, Mass.  
 Charles L. Goodhue, Congregational church, Agawam, Mass.  
 Henry E. Stacy, } First Congregational Church, Hunting-  
 Almira E. Stacy, } ton.  
 Frederick Harwood, } Pearl St. Church, Hartford, Conn.  
 Winnifred H. Harwood, } Sec. Cong. Ch., Manchester, Conn.  
 Annie Henry (Allen), Presbyterian church, Thompsonville,  
 Conn.  
 Charlotte A. Vinton, First Congregational Church, South Had-  
 ley.  
 John M. Chapin, Church of Christ, Yale College, New Ha-  
 ven.  
 Edward F. Clark, } Congregational church, Petersham,  
 Marcia J. Clark, } Mass.
- March 7. Amos Whiting, Union Church, Worcester, Mass.  
 E. M. Parmelee, First Church of Christ, Longmeadow, Mass.  
 John B. Woods, } Congregational church, Belchertown,  
 Harriet N. Woods, } Mass.  
 Rosella W. L. Davis, First Congregational Church, South  
 Adams.  
 Isabella H. Ladd, First Congregational Church, South Adams.



- Sarah S. Ladd (Harris), North Congregational Church, Wilbraham.
- Lizzie M. Ladd, North Congregational Church, Wilbraham.
- Edwin J. Cushman, } First Cong. Church, Springfield, Ohio.  
 Rena S. Cushman, } profession.
- Emma J. Hammond, profession.
- Anna D. Gouch, profession.
- May 2. Laura E. Folsom, } profession.  
 Gilman Folsom, }
- Electa Wetherell, w. Samuel, profession.
- Hiram Eldredge, profession.
- Edward C. Burrett (or Barrett), profession.
- Fanny W. Walker, Congregational church, Belchertown.
- Anna M. Howard, w. Luther, Congregational church, Gill.
- Fanny E. M. Clapp, wife Edward, Congregational church, Manchester, Vt.
- June 24. O. B. Wight, } Congregational church, South Hadley Falls.  
 Mrs. Wight, }
- NOTE BY COMPILER: Joined in 1851; names not recorded until 1869, through oversight.
- July 2. Josiah C. Colton, } First Congregational Church, Longmeadow.  
 Nancy A. Colton, }
- Charles A. Houghton, Congregational church, Williamstown.
- Azro B. Gibbs, } profession.  
 Betsey E. Gibbs, }
- George B. Gouch, profession.
- Edwin L. Fiske, profession.
- Sept. 3. Martha R. Robinson, Orthodox Congregational Church, Petersham.
- Catharine L. Morse, Congregational church, Somers, Conn.
- Nov. 5. Lucy Stephenson, Union Congregational Church, Greenfield, N. H.
- Mattie A. Converse (Clark), Broadway Congregational Church, Norwich, Conn.
- R. E. Davison, church in Amherst College.

NOTE BY COMPILER: Additions this year, 60; by profession, 19. Membership, 569.

## 1870.

- Jan. 2. Emeline M. Chapin, wife Charles L., profession.
- William Ashton, profession.
- Alice A. Burt, wife Arthur, Second Congregational Church, Greenfield.
- Mar. 6. Mary O. Dickman, profession.
- Charles L. Chapin, profession.
- Moses W. Lyman, profession.
- Edwin Farrar, } profession.  
 Louise C. Farrar, } Congregational church, Winchendon.



Mary A. Chapin, widow, First Congregational Church, South Hadley Falls.

Amelia W. Granger, Second Congregational Church, Chicopee.

Edmund M. Pease, M. D., Fourteenth St. Presbyterian Church, New York.

NOTE BY COMPILER: Ordained as missionary to Micronesia in 1877, and still in service.

- May 1. William B. Parker, Congregational church, Greenville, Conn.  
 Joseph Butler, } Second Congregational Church, Holyoke,  
 Amelia Butler, } Mass.  
 Nellie C. Batchelder, wife Perkins, Congregational church, Southwick.  
 Ada C. Johnson, wife David F., Franklin St. Congregational Church, Manchester, N. H.  
 Mary W. Chamberlin, wife R. S., North Cong. Church, City.  
 Samantha A. Sabine, First Congregational Church, Woburn.  
 Sarah Williams, widow, profession.  
 Anna J. Sargeant, wife T. H., profession.  
 Gratia R. Chapin, profession.  
 Eva J. Hendrick, profession.  
 Charles H. Knight, profession.  
 Cornie S. Newell, profession.  
 Harry W. Shillingford, profession.  
 Francis C. Walker, profession.  
 Simeon Wilbert Carroll, profession.
- July 3. Susan C. Bancroft, profession.  
 Ella K. Hawes, profession.  
 Ella L. Wight, profession.  
 William Mill, } letter, Scotland.  
 Julia Mill, }  
 Harlan Buckland, Presbyterian church, Indianapolis, Ind.  
 Julia Wood Pease, wife O. E., Bapt. church, E. Longmeadow.  
 Norma E. Bliss, wife William, Cong. church, Somers, Conn.  
 H. Amelia Greenleaf, Cong. church, Whitewater, Wis.
- Sept. 2. Charles B. Holton, } Mount Vernon Church, Boston.  
 Sarah P. Holton, }  
 S. F. Pratt, widow, Evangelical Congregational church, Athol.  
 Helen M. Pratt, Evangelical Congregational church, Athol.  
 Martha H. Bond, widow, Methodist church, Durham, Conn.
4. Maggie Sullivan, profession.
- Nov. 6. Aaron P. Wight, profession.  
 Andrew M. Wight, profession.  
 Frank Herbert Coffran, profession.
4. Mary T. Dunbar, First Cong. Church, Windsor, Vt.  
 William J. Rhees, } First Presbyterian Church, Washington,  
 R. F. Rhees, } D. C.  
 Hannah Armstrong, widow, East Cong. Church, Ware.  
 Mary Shields Handyside, Union Presbyterian Church, Scotland.



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Anna M. Warren (Theis), Second Congregational Church,  
Woodstock, Vt.

Hiram Worden, First Congregational Church, Westfield.

NOTE BY COMPILER: Additions, 54; by profession, 22. Rev. Mr. Parsons dismissed by council Nov. 7, 1870, to take effect Nov. 15, 1870.

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“Unto Him that washed us from our sins in His own blood, and hath made us kings and priests unto God and His Father; unto Him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.”



## REV. HENRY MARTYN PARSONS.

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BY THE COMPILER.

THE seventh pastor of the First Church was ordained to the ministry and installed over this Church Nov. 15, 1854, having just graduated from the Connecticut Theological Institute. His classical studies were finished at Yale in 1848. He was born at East Haddam, Nov. 13, 1828. Nov. 15, 1870, exactly sixteen years after his settlement here, he was dismissed to accept a call as associate pastor of the Union Church in Boston. His present charge is at Toronto, Canada.

Mr. Parsons's ministry covered the years of the Rebellion, during which Springfield grew rapidly in population. The Armory and Water Shops were working with double sets of hands, and the greatest activity pervaded all channels of trade and occupation. Those were the times of marvelous excitement. The boys in blue marched off to the front carrying all our hearts with them; reports of defeat or news of victory stunned and elated us by turns. Amidst all these intense and distracting conditions, Mr. Parsons held the attention of the people to the great truths and business of religion with fidelity and success; and the membership steadily and largely augmented.

The frankness of Mr. Parsons, his unusual readiness and genial manners, rendered him thoroughly acceptable to all, and especially endeared him to the young. His Sabbath-school labors and Bible-class instruction were popular and instructive to the very highest degree.

His resignation of the pastorate was accepted with great reluctance and general regret.



1871.

- Jan. 1. Mrs. Felicia Burt, First Cong. Church, Northampton.  
 Jonas Pierce, } Calvinistic church, Fitchburg.  
 Fanny Pierce, }
- March 5. Stephen C. Warriner, } Congregational church, Warren.  
 Mary Warriner, }  
 Miss Eliza E. Bliss, New England Church, Chicago.  
 Mrs. Mary W. Hodskins, profession.
- May 7. Mrs. L. Augusta Fuller, Cong. church, Somers, Conn.  
 Miss Mattie E. A. Hastings, First Church, Amherst.  
 Mrs. Lucy M. Bidwell, South Baptist Church, Hartford, Conn.  
 A. M. Galpin, profession.
- July 2. John P. Stewart, St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Philadelphia, Pa.  
 Josiah Hayward, } Congregational church, East Long-  
 Amanda S. Hayward, } meadow.  
 Miss Jennie A. Holt, Congregational church, West Brookfield.  
 Mrs. Mary E. Walker, North Congregational Church, City.  
 Mrs. E. A. Reed, First Pres. Church, Lansingburg, N. Y.  
 James E. Turner, } Congregational church, South Wilbra-  
 Sarah A. Turner, } ham.  
 Mrs. Jane M. Miner, Congregational church, West Granville.  
 Mrs. Martha Colby, profession.  
 Mrs. Elizabeth P. Cloyes, profession.  
 Cora N. Pynchon.
- Sept. 3. Emma E. Hayden, Congregational church, Collinsville, Conn.
- Nov. 5. Charlotte E. Ashley, First Cong. Church, West Springfield.
- Sept. 3. Mrs. Amarett Chandler, profession.  
 Mrs. Sarah L. Bailey, profession.  
 Elizabeth Sims, profession.  
 Charles F. Stebbins, profession.
- Nov. 5. Mary P. Emerson, First Presbyterian Church, Boston.  
 Ebenezer Stebbins, First Cong. Church, Middletown, Conn.  
 Samuel A. Wood, } North Congregational Church, City.  
 Harriet Wood, }  
 Harriet S. Wood, North Congregational Church, City.  
 Francis W. Shepherd, } North Congregational Church, City.  
 Delia Shepherd, }  
 Mrs. Elizabeth G. Boynton, Cong. church, West Brookfield.  
 Miss M. Lizzie Boynton, Cong. church, West Brookfield.  
 Mrs. Mary Ann Gilbert, Cong. church, West Brookfield.  
 Mrs. Ellen M. Purple, Congregational church, Conway.  
 Edward Craigee, } St. John's Church, Dundee, Scot-  
 Ann Gilson Craigee, } land.  
 John C. Avery, Congregational church, Chapin, Iowa.  
 Mrs. Caroline E. Adams, profession.  
 Mrs. Lizzie Stockbridge Whitcomb, profession.



Mrs. Maria Louisa White, profession.

Percy Lyman Hoadley, profession.

NOTE BY COMPILER: Additions, 48; by profession, 13. Rev. Mr. Reed ordained and installed June 14, 1871.

1872.

- Jan. 7. Mrs. Clara J. Todd, profession.  
 Madora Crosby Vaille, profession.  
 Lizzie Viola Rice, profession.  
 Agnes Virginia Earle, profession.  
 Fanny Augusta Terry, profession.  
 Minnie Amelia Dickinson, profession.  
 Elizabeth Sophronia Firmin, profession.  
 Erastus Alvin Barrett, profession.  
 Mrs. Harriet S. Wright, Church of the Ascension, New York.  
 Mrs. Lemira P. Pelton, First Cong. Church, Morrisania, N. Y.  
 Frank Farrin, Congregational church, Fremont, Neb.  
 James Weir Mason, Second Pres. Church, Albany, N. Y.  
 Mrs. Sarah L. Mason, Second Pres. Church, Albany, N. Y.  
 Euphemia P. Mason, Second Pres. Church, Albany, N. Y.  
 Sarah L. W. Mason, Second Pres. Church, Albany, N. Y.  
 George E. Todd, Pres. church, New Boston, N. H.
- March 3. Mrs. Henrietta Schmuck, profession.  
 Mrs. Abby Chaffee Dickinson, profession.  
 Effie L. Chapin, profession.  
 Harriet C. Colton, profession.  
 Charles L. Whittemore, profession.  
 Mrs. Margaret Dart, First Cong. Church, Norwalk, Conn.  
 Mrs. Elizabeth H. Swetland, First Pres. Church, Middlefield Center, N. Y.  
 Mrs. Harriet R. Learned, First Cong. Church, West Meriden, Conn.
- May 5. William Fay Hopkins, profession.  
 Maria R. Clark, profession.  
 Laban Parmelee, profession.  
 William Parsons Gleason, First Cong. Church, New Braintree.  
 William Henry Parker, Pres. church, Bridgehampton, N. Y.  
 Henry Lovejoy Ross, Cong. church, West Brookfield.  
 Marcia Colton, Clinton Avenue Congregational Church, Brooklyn, N. Y.  
 Justus W. Grant, } First Congregational Church, Pittsfield.  
 Mary J. Grant, }
- July 7. Niel Blue, } profession.  
 Elizabeth Blue, }  
 Walter R. Webster, profession.  
 Mrs. Ellen C. Clegg, First Cong. Church, Bellows Falls, Vt.  
 Mrs. Caroline C. Burbank, First Cong. Church, Winchester, N. H.



- Avery J. Smith, } Memorial Presbyterian Church, New  
 Harriet M. Smith, } York City.  
 Mrs. Mary S. Longley, Pres. church, Ellicott's Mills, Md.  
 George E. Martin, Congregational church, South Boston.  
 Sept. 1. Mrs. Loella Lathrop, Cong. church, South Wilbraham.  
 Nov. 3. Dr. Marshall Calkins, } North Church, City.  
 Adelaide A. Calkins, }  
 Louisa Ide Macfayden, profession.

1873.

- Jan. 5. Roderick Ashley, profession.  
 Mrs. Mary E. Kempt, Union Congregational Church, Boston.  
 Theodore Meserole, Franklin Ave. Pres. Church, Brooklyn, N. Y.  
 Rachel A. Miller, First Congregational Church, Westfield.  
 Mrs. Ella S. Alden, First Congregational Church, Westfield.  
 \*Joseph L. Shipley, } North Avenue Congregational Church,  
 Margaret H. Shipley, } Cambridge.

\*NOTE BY COMPILER: Elected deacon in 1876; re-elected 1882, and resigned; re-chosen 1886.

- March 2. Mrs. Ruhema C. Call, profession.  
 Ruema C. Call, profession.  
 Nettie H. Dumbleton, profession.  
 Mary J. Alexander, profession.  
 Mabel M. Barney, profession.  
 Caroline H. Newell, profession.  
 Alice E. Newell, profession.  
 Elam Stockbridge, profession.  
 Mrs. Elvira Cooley, Congregational church, Southwick.  
 Mrs. Caroline C. Talcott, South Cong. Church, New Britain,  
 Conn.  
 Mrs. Amanda McKelvey, North Ave. Cong. Church, Cambridge.  
 Mrs. Barbara Meserole, Franklin Avenue Presbyterian Church,  
 Brooklyn, N. Y.  
 John Clark, Stone Street Pres. Church, Watertown, N. Y.  
 May 4. Geo. A. Homer, profession.  
 Henry B. Moore, } profession.  
 Katie L. Moore, }  
 Mrs. Roselle P. Moore, profession.  
 Mrs. Cynthia Sawyer, profession.  
 Mary F. Sessions, profession.  
 Ruth A. Rockwell, profession.  
 Nellie P. Buck, profession.  
 Carrie A. Richards, profession.  
 Mrs. Elizabeth M. McIntyre, Central Presbyterian Church, N.  
 Y. City.  
 Mrs. Fannie W. Homer, First Cong. Church, Warren.  
 Roscius C. Newell, } First Cong. Church, Mittineague.  
 Sarah A. Newell, } First Cong. Church, Agawam.



- Mrs. Angie B. Case, First Congregational Church, Cedar Falls, Iowa.
- Mrs. Lucy Wildes, North Cong. Church, Amherst.
- “ Phebe A. Gates, Olivet Church, City.
- “ Carrie M. Ladd, Olivet Church, City.
- “ Rebecca Spooner, Arch Street Presbyterian Church, Philadelphia, Pa.
- Helen M. Baker, First Congregational Church, South Windsor, Conn.
- July 6. Mrs. Phoebe L. Spelman, profession.
- B. Frank Steele, } First Congregational Church, Leavenworth,  
Emily F. Steele, } Kan.
- Myron E. Barber, First Pres. Church, Scranton, Pa.
- Nov. 2. Mrs. Sophia H. Ring, profession.
- Jane W. Hitchcock, profession.
- Emily W. Fairman, First Cong. Church, Northampton.
- Mrs. Luthera F. Norton, First Cong. Church, Northampton.
- William H. Haile, } Orthodox church, Hinsdale, N. H.  
Amelia C. Haile, }
- George W. Guilford, } Congregational church, Cummington.  
Eliza T. Guilford, }

NOTE BY COMPILER: Additions, 51; by profession, 21; membership, 617.

## 1874.

- Jan. 4. Frank Herbert Whipple, profession.
- Albert M. Gleason, profession.
- Charles H. Newell, profession.
- Albert E. Williams, Second Congregational Church, West Newton.
- Mrs. H. A. Braman (Maria), First Congregational Church, Suffield, Conn.
- March. Clara E. Lyman, profession.
- Mrs. Eva Maria Chase, profession.
- “ Lizzie F. English, profession.
- “ Lillian M. Standish, First Congregational Church, West Springfield.
- Jude R. Buck, Cong. church, West Stafford, Conn.
- May 1. John McMasters, Congregational church, Granby.
- Mary A. Ring, Payson Church, Easthampton.
- Ruth H. Reed, Trinity Methodist Church, City.
- Ellen M. Clark, South Congregational Church, City.
- Margaret E. Stewart, wife Thos. S., Union Congregational Church, Greenfield, N. H.
- Frank H. Shattuck, Orthodox Cong. Church, Ashby.
- Dwight B. Montague, } North Congregational Church, City.  
S. Helen Montague, }
- Mary M. Wilcox, Memorial Church, City.



William Perry, Trinitarian Church, Templeton.  
Alfred J. Preston, Congregational church, South Hadley.  
Jennie E. Gleason,, State Street Baptist Church, City.  
Harry Knox, profession.  
Mary Smith, profession.  
John E. Smith, profession.  
Helen L. Ayers, profession.  
Anna L. Wight, profession.  
Lizzie M. Wight, profession.  
Mary A. Richardson, profession.  
Thomas S. Stewart, profession.

NOTE BY COMPILER: Elected deacon, 1879.

Martha L. Elliott, profession.  
Lois J. Wolcott, profession.  
Cora L. Rice, profession.  
Mrs. Miranda P. Cole, profession.  
Clara B. Gouch, profession.  
Julia M. Fuller, profession.  
Mary E. Collins, profession.  
Frank W. Tower, profession.  
Fred K. Chaffee, profession.  
Susan A. Wait, profession.  
Margaret R. Richey, profession.  
Frances M. Williams, profession.  
Arthur F. Barrett, profession.  
Fannie L. Barrett, profession.  
Margaret D. Weeks, profession.  
Hattie E. Simonds, profession.  
Annie R. Cleeland, profession.  
Josephine W. Shillingford, profession.  
Lewis A. Crossett, profession.  
George Worcester Longley, profession.  
Mary Ashley, profession.  
Samuel Taylor Drake, Jr., profession.  
Dr. David Clark, profession.  
Grace Bennett, profession.  
Winona Adeline Ashley, profession.  
Hattie Jeanette Cooley, profession.  
Sarah Lizzie Brace, profession.  
Henry Lewis Chapin, profession.  
Lizzie Gouch, profession.  
Edward Horace Wilcox, profession.  
John Stade Reed, profession.  
Dwight Woodruff Wilcox, profession.  
Daniel Pomeroy Cole, profession.

NOTE BY COMPILER: Elected clerk December, 1882.

Louisa Abbie Dickinson, profession.



- Walter Holbrook Warner, profession.  
 Abbie Burrows Sullivan, profession.  
 Thomas Sherman Chaffee, profession.  
 Jeanie Josephine Shillingford, profession.  
 July 5. Henry Fessinden Osgood, profession.  
 Howard Theo. Vaille, profession.  
 Alice Margaret Leonard, profession.  
 Archer Frederick Leonard, profession.  
 Rhoda Ann Cook, profession.  
 Susan Spelman Macready, profession.  
 Martha Jane Hall, profession.  
 Emily Adelia Frink, profession.  
 Frank Irving Pratt, profession.  
 George Lyford Gould, profession.  
 Charles Kingsley Calhoun, profession.  
 Mrs. Polly Porter Burt, Congregational church, Longmeadow.  
 Mrs. Jane Leonard, Congregational church, Agawam.  
 Everard Ayers, } First Congregational Church, North  
 Melissa A. Ayers, } Adams.  
 Albert W. Elliott, Evangelical Cong. Church, Barre.  
 Sept. 13. Mrs. Eliza Williams, Memorial Church, City.  
 Frank D. Thatcher, Second Congregational Church, Westfield.  
 Nov. 1. Harriet A. Sturtevant, First Pres. Church, Bordentown, N. J.

NOTE BY COMPILER: Now Mrs. E. M. Pease, and missionary in Micronesia.

Julia G. Severy, Second Congregational Church, Chicopee.

Mrs. Melissa A. Buck, Cong. church, West Stafford, Conn.

NOTE BY COMPILER: Additions, 90; by profession, 64. Membership, 673.

1875.

- Jan. 3. Mrs. Hannah M. Webster, First Cong. Church, Meriden, Conn.  
 William L. Sadler, First Cong. Church, Warren.  
 James Coffran, profession.  
 William G. Chapin, profession.  
 Mrs. Ruby Eldredge, profession.  
 Helen J. Allen, First Church, West Springfield.  
 George B. Naramour, } Grace M. E. Church, City.  
 Abbie M. Naramour, } Cong. church, Winchester, N. H.  
 Mrs. Avis M. Tiffny, Congregational church, Ware.  
 Henry M. Seymour, Russell Church, Hadley.  
 William M. Gray, State Street Baptist Church, City.  
 March 7. Ella Gertrude Cilly, profession.  
 Alice Fanny Clark, profession.  
 William Losea Richards, profession.  
 Mrs. Caroline R. Sayles, Second Pres. Church, Albany, N. Y.  
 Charles A. Kingsbury, Jr., First Cong. Church, Rockville, Conn.  
 J. Augustus Robbins, Salem Street Mariners' Church, Boston.

NOTE BY COMPILER: Elected church treasurer 1879.



William P. Draper, Crombie Street Cong. Church, Salem.

NOTE BY COMPILER: Elected superintendent Sunday School Dec., 1882; still in office.

Rev. Edward A. Reed, Third Pres. Church, Pittsburgh, Pa.

May 2. Alonzo W. Taggard, }  
Mary E. Taggard, } profession.

Jennie S. Newell, profession.

John A. C. McFadyan, profession.

William Harry Bradway, profession.

Mrs. Catharine W. Barnes, profession.

Henry I. Goulding, Congregational church, Phillipston.

William L. Barnard, } Certif. Baptist church, Shelburne Falls.

Emma F. Barnard, } Second Cong. Church, Greenfield.

July 4. Mrs. Mary Clark, profession.

James Henry Clark, profession.

Mary Jane Clark, profession.

Sept. 5. Mrs. Eleanor C. Aldrich, Cong. church, Somers, Conn.

Mrs. Martha North, First Pres. Church, Bridgeport, Conn.

Mrs. Lucy M. Chapin, North Congregational Church, City.

NOTE BY COMPILER: Additions, 34; by profession, 15; membership, 674.

1876.

Jan. 2. Margaret E. Stephenson, profession.

Willard R. Barker, Congregational church, Agawam.

Charles W. Bachelder, }  
Adelaide L. Bachelder, } Second Church, Hartford, Conn.

March. Mrs. Phebe Ann Tuttle, profession.

Jennie Maria Palmer, profession.

Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Randolph, profession.

James W. White, Presbyterian church, Lawton, Mich.

Mrs. Charles Pomeroy, Presbyterian church, San Jose, Cal.

Charles M. Goodenough, }  
Gustena E. Goodenough, } Congregational church, Whately.

May 7. Thomas N. Birnie, profession.

Douglas P. Birnie, profession.

Sarah P. Birnie, profession.

Henry S. Bemis, profession.

Maria C. Stevens, South Church, City.

Maria C. Stevens, South Church, City.

Sophia T. Stevens, South Church, City.

Mrs. Elizabeth Ashcroft, Methodist church, Leyden.

July 2. Sarah Elizabeth Mudgett, profession.

Alfred Birnie, profession.

Julius Edson Waite, profession.

Gilbert Augustus Shaw, profession.

George Arthur Hunt, profession.

Frederick Alonzo Taggard, profession.

Ellen S. G. Hunt, Church of Christ, Williamsburg.



- Sept. 3. Jabez Collins, }  
 Sarah M. Collins, } Congregational church, Somers, Conn.  
 Robert W. Day.  
 Christina Flanagan, from First Presbyterian Church, Galveston, Texas.
- Nov. 5. Jennison Grow, }  
 Frances Grow, } from Cong. church, Collinsville, Conn.  
 Rhoda P. Miller, from Presbyterian church, Lena, Ill.  
 Delphine J. Rice.  
 Sophia Hoxey.

1877.

- Jan. 7. Laura Q. Sweatland.  
 Harry S. Lewis, from Russell Congregational Church, Hadley.  
 Eliza Ann Brailey, from Second Cong. Church, Amherst.  
 Emma S. Chapin, from Second Congregational Church, Bridgeport, Conn.
- Mar. 4. Edwin H. Baker, }  
 Carrie V. Baker, } from East Congregational Church, Ware.  
 Mary A. Noyes, from North Church, City.  
 Maria T. Priest, from State Street M. E. Church, City.  
 Charles Dalton, }  
 Mary Dalton, } from Hope Church, City.  
 Emily Ada Dalton, from Hope Church, City.  
 Lilly Wing Dalton, from Hope Church, City.
- May 6. Frank S. Parkurst. }  
 Theresa L. Parkhurst. }  
 Lorissa Pierce.  
 Rissa L. Fay.  
 Abram Goff. }  
 Sarah E. Goff. }  
 \*Dr. Nathan E. Ames, } from North Church, City.  
 Delia Ames.

\*NOTE BY COMPILER: This brother has conducted Sunday School services at the jail for 32 years.

- George A. Barnes, from First Cong. Church, West Brookfield.  
 William H. Barnes, from First Congregational Church, West Brookfield.
- S. F. Chandler, } from Howard Avenue Congregational  
 Chloe Chandler, } Church, New Haven, Conn.
- James W. Stebbins, from Florence Street M. E. Church, City.  
 Deacon Frederick Mills, }  
 Dollie A. Mills, } from 2d Cong. Ch., Longmeadow.
- July 1. Samuel A. Gardner.  
 Ann E. Van Bergen, from Congregational church, Haydenville.
- Sept. 2. Arthur Mendell.
- Nov. 4. Kate Chapin Gibbs.

NOTE BY COMPILER: From this page onward names without suffix are those of persons received on profession.



Susan F. Hurd.

Wilhelmina Henbisch.

Edward Wadsworth Osgood.

Martha Metcalf, from Congregational church, Middlefield.

Herbert H. Sanderson, } from Cong. church, Sunderland.

Florence C. Sanderson, } from First Cong. ch., N. Brookfield.

Lydia Wright French, from Washington Street Free Will Baptist Church, Dover, N. H.

NOTE BY COMPILER: Additions, 38; by profession, 13; membership, 668.

1878.

- Jan. 6. Almira Morris, Presbyterian church, Springville, N. Y.  
Genevra B. McLean (Root).  
Minnie E. Merrifield.  
William Newell Osgood.
- March 3. Jona E. Janes, } Payson Congregational Church, Easthamp-  
Harriet A. Janes, } ton.  
Emily J. Stebbins.  
Cordelia Ann Sackett.  
Lizzie Pearl Bunker.  
Mary Edith Derby.  
Jennie Eliza Strong (Adams).  
Elizabeth Ashcroft Strong.  
William Henry Whittemore.  
Frances L. Forward, First Cong. Church, South Hadley Falls.
- May. Edward Albert Aldrich.
- July. Emily A. Anderson.  
Horace H. Barrett.  
George Morrison Belden.  
Henrietta Bemis.  
George Gardner Bliss.  
John Douglass Brace.  
Benj. Leroy Bragg.  
Harry Dwight Briggs.  
\*Charles Edwin Brown. }  
Mary E. Brown. }

\*NOTE BY COMPILER: Elected deacon December, 1883.

E. Welcome Brown. {  
Carrie E. Brown. }  
Richard S. Chamberlain.  
Charles Chapin.  
Jennie L. Chapin.  
Annie E. Clark.  
Hattie F. Clyde (Long).  
Laura E. Code.  
Lizzie R. Colton.  
Homer P. Crossett.  
Ella A. Denver.



Edward L. Dodge.  
 Harvey Dumbleton.  
 Edward C. Dumbleton.  
 George McC. Dumbleton.  
 Mary E. Fiske.  
 Lizzie M. Foster.  
 Alberta L. Fuller.  
 Mary E. Fuller.  
 Arthur W. French.  
 William F. Gale. }  
 Emma E. Gale. }  
 Henrietta J. Graves.  
 Henry B. Grossarth.  
 Charles H. Hall.  
 Miss — Conant (Sackett).  
 May. Albert H. Halford. }  
 Lina P. Halford. }  
 Willis A. Hall.  
 Addie Louisa Hammond.  
 George Lewis Hastings.  
 Annie Hitchcock.  
 Edwin B. Hodskins.  
 Clara E. Holland.  
 Elinor P. Hunt.  
 Emma L. Ilsley.  
 Arthur L. Janes.  
 Edward L. Janes.  
 Bertha A. Janes.  
 Mary B. Judd.  
 William Keenan.  
 Emma B. Kingsbury.  
 Eugene A. Levigne.  
 Alice L. Lewis.  
 Edward M. Lombard. }  
 Etta L. Lombard. }  
 Bertha O. Lyon.  
 George W. Miller. }  
 Eugenia Miller. }  
 Mary E. Montague.  
 William F. Mordaunt.  
 Frederick William Morris.  
 Maria Alma Morse.  
 Mary DeForest Newell.  
 Estella C. Nichols.  
 Herbert H. Nutting.  
 Lizzie A. Pierce.  
 Eva E. Perry.  
 Florence A. Pomeroy.



Naganroto Okabe.  
Alexander Handyside.  
Barbara McKay.  
Catherine C. McLeod.  
Annie Morrison.  
Emma J. Pease.  
Ella M. Rugg.  
Charles H. Russell.  
Laura A. Sadler.  
Ellen Smith.  
Joseph R. Sollace.  
Addie A. Stanley.  
Mary G. L. Stebbins.  
Edward J. Taggard.  
Henry D. Taylor.  
Charles S. Thompson.  
Hattie E. Tyler.  
Henry A. Tuttle.  
Mary Ann Wolcott.  
Edward C. Washburn.  
Sylvia B. Washburn.  
Charles P. Weeks.  
Frederick O. Wells.  
William George Wheat.  
Alice Idell Wheelock.  
Sarah J. Whitcomb.  
Ruth E. Wight.  
Jennie M. Willard.  
Anna Williams.  
Minna Williams.  
Charles Wash. Williams.  
Albert H. Williams.  
Olive M. Ames, North Church, City.  
Dwight P. Beach, First Pres. Church, Memphis, Tex.  
John M. Benedict, Congregational Church, Woodbury, Conn.  
George D. Chamberlain, Second Cong. Church, Chicopee.  
Henry G. Fiske, Beneficent Congregational Church, Providence, R. I.  
Edwin Farrar, Memorial Pres. Church, Troy, N. Y.  
Louise C. Farrar, Memorial Pres. Church, Troy, N. Y.  
Cornelia Grover, Congregational Church, Somers, Conn.  
Jessie C. Gardner, Second Congregational Church, Holyoke.  
Susanna A. Hardley, Thirteenth St. Pres. Church, N. Y.  
Franz George Jensen, Reformed Protestant Dutch Church,  
N. Y.  
John A. Kaler, Congregational church, Hampden.  
Elisha F. Shaw, } First Congregational Church, Sturbridge.  
Martha B. Shaw, }



- Emma L. Thompson, First Congregational Church, Bridgeport, Conn.  
 Clara L. Wheat, St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Holyoke.  
 Fannie E. Wolcott, Second Cong. Church, Holyoke.  
 Charles A. Manson, } State Street Methodist Episcopal Church,  
 Helen F. Manson, } City.  
 Thomas E. Stevens, } North Congregational Church, City.  
 Harriet L. Stevens, }  
 Feb. May S. Goodyear, Reformed Dutch Church, Stapleton, Staten Island.  
 July. Stephen Chapin.

NOTE BY COMPILER: Elected deacon December, 1882.

Cheney Hosmer Calkins.  
 Charles F. Clark.  
 Laura A. Crossett.  
 Charles A. Dunn.  
 Charles P. Hill.  
 \*Azal A. Packard. }  
 Mary V. Packard. }

NOTE BY COMPILER: Parish treasurer, 1872-4.

- Hope Sing.  
 Adeline Bestor, Olivet Church, City.  
 Bertha M. Merrill, Congregational church, Amesbury.  
 Amos D. Taylor, Congregational church, Brooklyn, Conn.  
 Bella C. Tourtellotte, South Church, City.  
 Margaret Morrison, Presbyterian church, Winslow, Province Quebec.  
 Clara J. Beach, First Church, Memphis, Tenn.  
 Lucy Ann Sherwood, Congregational church, Lisbon, Conn.  
 David Lewis, First Pres. Church, Minneapolis, Minn.  
 Sophronia Williams, Second Cong. Church, Holyoke.  
 Aug. Addie P. Miller.  
 Nov. Annie R. Cooper, Pres. church, Basking Ridge, N. J.

NOTE BY COMPILER: Messrs. Moody and Sankey, the revivalists, labored in Springfield, during February and March. In July of this year Rev. E. A. Reed resigned and was dismissed by council. Additions this year, 155; by profession, 119; membership, 777.

"The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting upon them that fear Him, and his righteousness unto children's children; to such as keep His covenant, and to those that remember His commandments to do them."



## REV. EDWARD ALLEN REED.

(Since 1880, D. D.)

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BY THE COMPILER.

MR. REED was ordained in this church, and installed as pastor June 14, 1871, and dismissed to become pastor of the Madison Av. R. D. Ch., N. Y. City, July 15, 1878.

Mr. Reed's connection of seven years with this body was mutually agreeable and beneficial, and resulted on the part of the members of the church in a very warm attachment to the young preacher of 27 years, who made his commencement of pastoral work in their parish. During his ministry there was a steady increase in the membership.

The need of suitable quarters for the Sabbath-school had been fully realized and plans considered during Mr. Parsons's pastorate, and these deliberations took shape soon after Mr. Reed's settlement in the erection of the fine and commodious Sabbath-school rotunda and lecture room with parlors, etc., at a cost of \$35,000, of which amount about \$30,000 was raised by subscription. Mr. Reed was heartily in sympathy with this extension of facilities for church work among the young.

In 1878 (February and March), the well-known evangelists, Messrs. Moody and Sankey, held union services in the City Hall, and it was computed that about 1000 persons were converted through their instrumentality with the assistance of the city clergymen. Mr. Reed embarked in this work cautiously, but speedily gave himself to it with unremitting fervor. The additions to the First Church numbered 110, which was considered to be the church's full proportion of the spiritual harvest.

Mr. Reed resigned Sunday, June 13, 1878, reading his letter of resignation at the conclusion of the morning service. The church standing committee and the parish committee having received information of the pastor's design united in a protest against the resignation; and the reading of the protest followed from the pulpit steps as soon as Mr. Reed had submitted his resignation. Brother Joseph Shipley, who read the protest, requested all persons in the



congregation who sympathized with the action of the committees in the protest to manifest it by rising, when the whole congregation immediately rose. The young men also presented a remonstrance in their own behalf to Mr. Reed. There was also a protest of the pew-holders. The council convened July 11, 1878, when the protests mentioned above and other papers to the same purport were submitted. After deliberating over the matter and considering the unanimous resistance of the church to the proposed dissolution, the council's judgment was that it was expedient for both parties that Mr. Reed should continue in his pastorate ; and a committee of three was appointed to present their views to Mr. Reed. This committee afterwards reported to the council that Mr. Reed still considered it his duty to go, whereupon the council, "with profound regret" on their part and profounder regret on the part of the people, dissolved the relation—to take effect July 15.

It is plain that the church and parish put forth the most strenuous exertions to oppose this separation, but to no purpose. Probably the church has now gone out of the resisting business for some time to come.



## 1879.

- Jan. 5. Howard Kendall, from Congregational church, Mittineague.  
 Chauncey L. Covell, }  
 Susan E. Covell, } from Memorial Church, City.  
 Anna Covell, from Memorial Church, City.
- March 2. William M. Parsons, from First Church, Northampton.  
 Paulina Schaeffer, wife Jacob.  
 Mary Keenan.
- May 4. Sarah J. M. Russell, wife R. A., from Olivet Church, City.  
 Mary E. Burt, wife Roderick, from Cong. church, Monson.  
 Mary M. Hall (Newcomb), from Park Street Church, West  
 Springfield.  
 Lucy Thatcher, wid. Crocker, from Cong. church, Lee.  
 Timothy D. Thatcher, }  
 Harriet F. Thatcher, } from Congregational church, Lee.  
 Lucy C. Thatcher, from Congregational church, Lee.  
 Cornelia S. Newell Barrett, wife E. A., from Hope Ch., City.  
 Catharine B. Newell Goulding, wife H. I., from Hope Ch., City.
- July 6. Margaret Morison, from Presbyterian ch., Winslow, P. Q.  
 Amos Lyman Merrill.  
 George Herbert Stuart.  
 Mrs. Mary Virginia Terhune, wife Edward P., from First Re-  
 formed Church, Newark, N. J.  
 George Sumner Burt, } from Evang. Cong. Ch., Plainfield.  
 Nettie Clara Burt, } from Second Cong. Ch., Greenfield.  
 Reuben Hazen Smith, from Cong. church, Plymouth, Conn.  
 Rebecca Webb Smith, from Cong. church, Plymouth, Conn.  
 Julia Clarissa Hunt, from Congregational church, Sunderland.
- Sept. 7. Andrew Brabner Wallace, }  
 Janet Miller Wallace, } from Olivet Church, City.  
 Mary Tufts Howe.
- Nov. 2. Huldah T. Bailey, wid. Samuel E., from Union Church,  
 Worcester.  
 Chrissie Terhune, First Reformed Church, Newark, N. J.  
 Carrie Langdon Covell.
- Dec. 11. Albert Williams (reinstated).

NOTE BY COMPILER: Rev. Dr. E. P. Terhune installed over this church in April of present year. Additions, 30; by profession, 6. Membership, 769.

## 1880.

- Jan. 4. Virginia Belle Terhune.  
 Sybella W. Eastman, First Congregational Church, Greenfield.  
 Belle W. Eastman (Judkins), First Cong. Church, Greenfield.  
 Mrs. Lydia J. Hendrick, First Congregational Church, South  
 Hadley Falls.  
 Anna W. Wheelock, First Congregational Church, South  
 Hadley Falls.



- March 7. Mary W. Boggs, Congregational church, Mittineague.  
 Margaret Eldridge, Hope Church, City.  
 William McClester, Hope Church, City.
- May 2. Ellen Booth Derby, Congregational church, Ellington, Conn.  
 Mattie Harris Newell, Congregational church, Rutland, Vt.  
 Harvey E. Moseley, } North Church, New Haven, Conn.  
 Sarah R. Moseley, }  
 Theodore W. Ellis, } First Baptist Church, City.  
 Maria L. Ellis, }  
 Ralph Waterbury Ellis, First Baptist Church, City.

NOTE BY COMPILER: Parish treasurer 1885.

- Nancy W. Hill Rice, Olivet Church, City.  
 Fidelity Hill, Olivet Church, City.  
 Priscilla E. Pierce, Congregational church, Conway.
- July 4. Arianna P. Cobb, First Cong. Church, Morrisville, Vt.  
 Mrs. Janette Earle.
- Nov. 7. Annie McLean.  
 Katie McCaskell.  
 Jennie I. L. Godfrey, Reformed Protestant Dutch Church,  
 New York.  
 Charles B. Holton, } Second Congregational Church, Holyoke.  
 Sarah B. Holton, }  
 Rachel C. Belden, Classon Avenue Presbyterian Church,  
 Brooklyn, N. Y.

NOTE BY COMPILER: "Envelope system" for benevolent contributions adopted this year.

Additions, 25; by profession, 3. Membership, 772.

Twelfth annual meeting of the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions held in First Church January 13 and 14.

1881.

- Jan. 2. Kate Keenan.  
 Mrs. H. Elizabeth Ranger.  
 Mrs. Kate Beebe, North Church, City.  
 George H. Evans, } Evangel. Church, Westboro.  
 Augusta M. Evans, }  
 Henry M. Danielson, Westfield Congregational Church, Danielsonville, Conn.
- March 6. Helen Slate, South Congregational Church, New Britain, Conn.  
 Adelbert B. Case, First Congregational Church, Worcester.  
 Mrs. Nellie N. A. Hooker, Church of the Redeemer, New Haven.  
 Mrs. Catharine Keenan, profession.  
 Mrs. Ella May Knight, profession.  
 Eva A. Whittemore, profession.  
 Mrs. Ida M. Briggs, profession.
- July 3. Mrs. L. Jeanie Edmunds, Congregational church, Ewing.



- Nov. 6. Morris D. Fletcher, First Congregational Church, Amherst.  
 Mrs. Helen Grant Newell, from 1st Cong. Ch., Manchester, Conn.  
 “ Lottie K. C. Lyle, from 1st Pres. Ch., West Point, N. Y.  
 Frank P. Olmstead, from Cong. ch., Windsor Locks, Conn.

NOTE BY COMPILER: This year the new organ was placed in the projection built for it behind the pulpit. The organ contains 50 stops, 2311 pipes, and 9 pedal movements, and was first exhibited to the public December 5. The church was frescoed the same year. Total expenditures of 1881, \$21,000, viz.: Home and foreign missions, \$5400; organ and repairs, \$8000; parish expenses, \$7600. Sabbath-school and Bible service at 2½ o'clock. Average attendance, 400.

Additions, 18; by profession, 6. Total membership, 740.

## 1882.

- Jan. 1. Nancie Kennedy.  
 March 5. Mary E. Stackman, letter from First Congregational Church, Westfield.  
 Mrs. Laura W. Mills, wife of Dea. Frederick, letter from Congregational church, Feeding Hills.  
 May 7. Mrs. Lorinda Cowan (widow), letter from Congregational church, Enfield.  
 Mrs. Laura G. Barnes (widow), letter from Congregational church, Agawam.  
 July 2. Mrs. Katharine A. Ellis, wife of Ralph W., letter from Park Street M. E. Church, Chelsea.  
 Elliot S. Miller, } letter from Second Cong. Church, Chicopee.  
 Sarah Miller, }  
 John L. Johnson, } letter from Greenhill Presbyterian  
 Charlotte Johnson, } Church, Philadelphia, Pa.  
 Mrs. Mary Giles Northrop, widow of Frederick W., letter from North Church, New Haven, Conn.  
 Nov. 5. Mrs. Ada M. Blake, letter from Cong. church, Westford, Vt.  
 Mrs. Jane Dowdy, wife of William, letter from College Square Presbyterian Church, Belfast, Ireland.  
 Mrs. Elizabeth Howarth, letter from Windsor Avenue Congregational Church, Hartford, Conn.

NOTE BY COMPILER: Additions, 14; by profession, 1. Total, 715.

## 1883.

- Jan. 7. Luella E. Fay.  
 Jennie F. Turner.  
 Grace E. Gould.  
 Minnie Linda Rice.  
 Mrs. Elizabeth A. Beals.  
 George Bruce, } letter from Church of Scotland, Kirk-  
 Ellen Geddes Bruce, } wull, Scotland.



- Mrs. Amy Burns, wife of David, letter from Presbyterian church, Thompsonville, Conn.
- Mrs. Alice R. Lewis, wife of Harry S., letter from South Church, City.
- Mrs. Matilda W. Worthington, wife of Solomon, letter from Memorial Church, City.
- Mrs. Mary C. Turner, letter from Second Congregational Church, Westfield.
- George W. Gould, }  
Nancy W. Gould, } letter from Memorial Church, City.
- March 4. Mrs. H. C. Morgan, wife of Rev. J. F., letter from West Congregational Church, Portland, Me.
- Charles Morgan.
- Charles Dwight Montague.
- Arthur Eliakem Barney.
- Mrs. Gertrude Rice.
- May 6. Lottie Dinwood Johnson.
- Gertrude W. Roberts.
- Hattie E. Stickney.
- Clara Stickney.
- Louisa M. Hahn.
- Belle B. Anderson.
- Clara M. Williams.
- Fanny Maynard Vilas.
- Ida F. Farrar.
- Sarah K. Kingsley.
- Arthur S. Wildes. }  
Elizabeth F. Wildes. }
- Charles W. Phillips.
- William N. Raymond.
- Mrs. Emma J. Welch, letter from Congregational church, South Norwalk, Conn.
- James N. Patterson, letter from First Congregational Church, Woodbridge, N. J.
- Mrs. Mary T. Cooley, letter from Congregational church, West Granville.
- Jonathan F. Banister, letter from Edwards Congregational Church, Northampton.
- George F. Smith, letter from Cong. church, Florence.
- Henry F. Rich, letter from First Cong. Church, Ware.
- Melvin A. Berry, letter from Cong. church, West Hampton.
- Durward C. Clapp, letter from Cong. church, South Deerfield.
- Perry Anderson Clark, letter from First Congregational Church, Westfield.
- Atkins E. Blair, letter from Meth. Episcopal Church, Palmer.
- July 1. Hazen H. Miner.
- John C. Colcord.
- Herbert E. Thatcher.



- Julia Baker.  
 Harriet Newell Lyon.  
 Mrs. Lucinda Edwards, letter from Congregational ch., New Ipswich, N. H.  
 James Gray, } letter from Trinity Church, Aberdeen,  
 Mrs. James Gray, } Scotland.  
 Sept. 2. Rev. J. F. Morgan, letter from West Congregational Church, Portland, Me.  
 Mrs. E. J. Blue, widow, letter from Congregational church, Brandon, Vt.  
 John Strumwell, } letter from Evangelical Church, Indian  
 Mary Strumwell, } Orchard.  
 Nov. 4. Clara L. Rockwell.  
 Mrs. Elvira Nettlefield, letter from Grace Methodist Episcopal Church, City.

NOTE BY COMPILER: Additions, 56; by profession, 29. Total membership, 729.

1884.

- Jan. 6. George Dwight Bardwell.  
 Mrs. Mary Tyler, letter from Congregational church, Stafford Springs, Conn.  
 John B. Tyler, } letter from Congregational church, Stafford  
 Celia A. Tyler, } Springs, Conn.  
 James F. Herrick, letter from South Church, City.  
 Mrs. Sarah K. Howard, letter from South Church, City.  
 Mrs. Louise R. Taylor, letter from First Congregational Church, West Springfield.  
 March 2. Francis I. Rollins. }  
 Ellen C. Rollins. }  
 Fred O. Shaw. }  
 Ida R. Shaw. }  
 Nellie W. Hollister.  
 Mrs. Margaret Roberts.  
 Mrs. Ida M. Warriner, wife of S. C.  
 Margaret Bruce.  
 Charles Willis.  
 William R. Winchester.  
 Lucy T. Marsh.  
 Grace L. Marsh.  
 James P. Franklin, } letter from Second Congregational  
 Jennie L. Franklin, } Church, Holyoke.  
 Louise W. Thomas, letter from Fourth Congregational Church, Hartford, Conn.  
 May 4. Emma Julia Russell.  
 Mary Riggs.  
 Mrs. Amanda Hubbard, widow of Dennis.  
 Elizabeth Greenwood Hubbard.



Mary Wilson Hubbard.  
Alice Clark Hubbard.  
William C. Hall.  
Mrs. Margaret N. Kilgour, wife of William.  
Mary Jane Kilgour.  
James Kilgour.  
George H. Davis. }  
Maria M. Davis. }  
Mrs. Jane Hosmer, wife of Jesse.  
Edna Browning Hosmer.  
Mrs. Sadie E. Rude.  
Mrs. Mina L. Warfield, wife of Julius H.  
Mrs. Mary M. Kelsey, wife of W. H.  
Clara E. Mudgett.  
Grace L. Kemp.  
Katie A. Kemp.  
Mary L. Leshure.  
Lena L. English.  
Emma A. Stanley.  
Lillie E. Taylor.  
Mrs. Lottie H. Lewis.  
Ida E. Rollins.  
May B. Withey.  
Otis D. Pomeroy.  
Louie A. Peckham.  
Louis R. Levalle.  
Edward M. Lovering.  
Lot Quimby Swetland.  
Charles A. Witt.  
Alice L. Tuttle.  
Gertrude Bugbee.  
James W. Ewer. }  
Sarah Helen Ewer. }  
Edna Wallace Ewer.  
Frances Ella Pomeroy.  
Adelia C. Brady,  
Charles Brug. }  
Gertrude Brug. }  
Nellie E. Brug.  
Theresa M. Brug.  
Charles Leonard Holton.  
Lena Clark.  
May F. Daley.  
Mrs. Lou M. Sibley.  
Florence L. Judd.  
Hattie F. Rosenburg.  
Alice Haile.  
Henry C. Haile.



Jessie L. Pomeroy.

Maggie Keenan.

Emma S. Mitschke.

Anna Louise Johnson.

Caroline B. Kingsley.

Phebe A. Durgan.

Frank B. Bigelow.

Samuel B. Douchein.

Henry Stackman.

Emma A. Barnes.

Frank A. Lincoln, letter from First Congregational Church,  
Franklin.

Alanson B. Pomeroy, } letter from Congregational church,  
Elizabeth Mary Pomeroy, } North Becket.

Mrs. Lila D. Lovering, letter from First Baptist Church, West  
Springfield.

Lila A. Lovering, letter from First Baptist Church, West  
Springfield.

Yan Phou Lee, letter from First Presbyterian Church, Canton,  
China.

July 6. Julia Covell Rogers.

Margaret Weeks Shipley Irwin.

Mabel Colburn Gardner.

Charles H. McFadyen.

Mrs. Addie Chandler, wife of N. S.

Sept. 7. M. Matilda Buckler, letter from Payson Church, Easthamp-  
ton.

Elizabeth Buckler, letter from Payson Church, Easthampton.

Nov. 2. Mrs. Amanda M. Hall.

George H. Leikam, Third Congregational Church, Middletown,  
Conn.

NOTE BY COMPILER: Successful revival services were held during February and March under the lead of S. M. Sayford, the evangelist.

Rev. Dr. Terhune resigned, and was dismissed May 19, 1884, to become pastor of a Brooklyn church.

The debt of the church (of many years' standing and frequently augmented) was extinguished by subscriptions made Sunday, February 17, but as subscriptions do not invariably prove to be equal to cash, a small balance remains.

Additions, 99 ; by profession, 81. Total membership, 773.

"For the Lord is good; His mercy is everlasting; and His truth endureth to all generations."



# REV. EDWARD PAYSON TERHUNE, D. D.

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BY THE COMPILER.

DR. TERHUNE was born in New Brunswick, N. J., graduated at Rutgers College, and studied theology in the Reformed Dutch Seminary of New Brunswick.

(He also took a medical course in the office of a prominent physician.)

Ordained in 1855.

Called to his first pastorate by the "Village Church" of Charlotte C. H., Va., which he left in 1859, to accept the pulpit of the First Reformed Dutch Church, of Newark.

In 1876 he resigned his charge, and was in Europe for two years on account of his wife's ill-health.

April 30, 1879, installed over the First Church of Springfield, from which he was dismissed May 19, 1884, to become pastor of the Bedford Street Reformed Dutch Church, in Brooklyn, N. Y.

In the last year of Dr. Terhune's pastorate a revival was experienced which added eighty converts to the church, sixty-six of them being from our own Sabbath-school, then as now under the persuasive management of Wm. P. Draper. The meetings of this gracious season were in charge of S. M. Sayford, of Newton, a revivalist, who after spending many weeks in the other Springfield churches began his labors with the First Church, in February, 1884, preaching nearly every night for several weeks as well as visiting the inquiring. The interest which culminated in these additions to the church, began, however, in the previous December, under the pastor's inauguration of Sunday evening "praise services" in the chapel.

During his five years' ministry in Springfield, Dr. Terhune made many friends, and won acceptance in all this region for his catholicity of spirit.



1885.

- Feb. 27. Rev. Michael Burnham, } Immanuel Cong. Church, Bos-  
 Mar. 1. Cassandra V. Burnham, } ton Highlands.  
 Julia C. Dickinson, profession.  
 Cora M. Brailey, profession.  
 Mary Clark, profession.  
 Laura E. Bowen, Hope Congregational Church, City.
- May 3. Eben Stebbins, } Hope Congregational Church,  
 Emily Jane Stebbins, } City.  
 Mrs. Sybella W. Eastman, Hope Cong. Church, City.  
 Mrs. May L. Winter, First Church of Christ, Fair Haven,  
 Conn.  
 Mrs. Helen A. Rand, First Cong. Church, Pembroke, N. H.  
 Mrs. Lizzie D. Crane, wife of Merritt, Pres. church, Taylor,  
 Texas.  
 Mrs. Sarah A. Wells, wife of J. F., First Congregational  
 Church, Homer, N. Y.  
 Mrs. Annie L. Brooks, wife of Dr. L. S., Pilgrim Church,  
 Providence, R. I.  
 Dr. Seraph Frissell, South Cong. Church, Pittsfield.  
 A. M. Spalter, Saundersville Congregational Church.  
 Dr. S. D. Brooks, Olivet Church, City.
- July 4. Linnie R. Spear, North Church, City.  
 Mrs. Villroy C. Lord, Congregational church, Agawam.  
 Mrs. Eliza L. Hunt, Congregational church, Agawam.  
 Mary E. Hunt, Congregational church, Agawam.  
 Elihu T. Hunt, Congregational church, Agawam.  
 Nancy M. Kirkland, Congregational church, Agawam.  
 Addie Louise Newell, wife Howard N., profession.
- Sept. 6. Rev. Loring B. Marsh, } Congregational church, Berlin.  
 Emily Marsh, } Cong. church, Wading River, N. Y.  
 Mrs. Laura P. Loomis, Second Congregational Church, Coven-  
 try, Conn.
- Nov. 1. Frederick H. Law, Calvary Presbyterian Church, West  
 Brighton, N. Y.  
 Esther A. Bayliss, North Church, City.  
 Catharine Ballinger, Presbyterian church, N. Y. Mills, N. Y.

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Still through THE TRUTH, so fully tried,  
 Old church ! be grander triumphs won;  
 Thy brightest records far outdone;  
 And all thy members sanctified.



## REV. MICHAEL BURNHAM.

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BY THE COMPILER.

THE 10th pastor of the First Church was installed February 27, 1885.

Mr. Burnham was born in Essex, Mass. His earliest religious impressions were received under the ministry of the Rev. Dr. Robert Crowell, of Essex; and his conversion followed under the ministry of Dr. Crowell's successor, Rev. J. M. Bacon. The latter, discerning the convert's aptitude for the ministry, not only urged him into the preliminary studies, but maintained to the end, the most generous interest in all his preparation for the sacred calling. Mr. Burnham was graduated from Phillips Academy, Andover, in 1863; from Amherst College in 1867; and from Andover Theological Seminary in 1870. Before leaving the theological seminary he had received a call to the Central Congregational Church of Fall River; and was ordained to the ministry in that church, and installed over it October 25, 1870, succeeding the Rev. Eli Thurston, D. D. The Central Church enjoys a well-earned repute for Christian activity, and especially for vigorous missionary work in its own city. Mr. Burnham's second year's labor in this body of three hundred members resulted in an ingathering of 58. His fifth year was signalized by the erection of a very fine Gothic church building, costing some two hundred and sixty thousand dollars; but much of this sum, owing to the severe business troubles and remarkable "financial irregularities," which in those days occurred in that city of spindles, remained unpaid until 1879; when the pastor's time and energies were devoted to and absorbed in the necessary business of "lifting" the debt. This important work was successfully accomplished,—eighty thousand dollars being subscribed that year and paid in due time. Notwithstanding the long business depression, and all the drawbacks incident to it, the net gain of the body in 1882 was one hundred and sixty members; and in May of that year, after receiving various calls from other churches, Mr. Burnham, realizing the need of a change and hoping for benefit by it, asked to be dismissed from his field of arduous but delightful labor, to accept the pastorate of the Immanuel Church in Boston Highlands; which body he continued to serve until called to wider usefulness by the First Church of Springfield.



## Pastors.

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REV. GEO. MOXON, installed —, 1637; dismissed 1652, and returned to England; term 15 years; died (in England) 1687.

REV. PELATIAH GLOVER, installed —, 1660; in the service of this church until relieved by the Master; term 32 years; died 1692.

REV. DANIEL BREWER, installed May 16, 1694; in the service of this church until relieved by the Master; term 40 years; died 1733.

REV. ROBERT BRECK, installed Jan. 26, 1736; in the service of this church until relieved by the Master; term 49 years; died 1784.

REV. BEZALEEL HOWARD, D. D., installed April 27, 1785; retired 1808, dismissed 1809; term 23 years; died 1837.

REV. SAMUEL OSGOOD, D. D., installed Jan. 25, 1809; retired from active duty 1854; term 45 years; died 1862.

REV. HENRY M. PARSONS, installed Nov. 15, 1854; dismissed to pastorate in Boston 1870; term 16 years.

REV. EDWARD A. REED, installed June 14, 1871; dismissed to pastorate in New York 1878; term 7 years.

REV. EDWARD P. TERHUNE, D. D., installed April 30, 1879; dismissed to pastorate in Brooklyn 1884; term 5 years.

REV. MICHAEL BURNHAM, installed Feb. 27, 1885.



## Records of the First Church.

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As the Records of the church are occasionally in use for various purposes, and all may not be found in the church safe, this list of them is appended for the information and convenience of succeeding clerks.

1. CHURCH RECORD BOOK, 1735 to Nov., 1808, contains church business, admissions, baptisms, marriages, dismissions, and deaths. Kept by Rev. Rob't Breck, from 1735 to 1783; kept by Rev. Bez'l Howard, from 1785 to 1808.
2. RECORD BOOK, Jan., 1809, to Jan., 1854, contains list of admissions, baptisms, marriages, and deaths. Kept by Dr. S. Osgood, and is the property of his family.
3. CHURCH RECORD BOOK, Dec., 1809, to Sept., 1854, contains church business, admissions from 1844 to 1855, and dismissions. Kept by Dr. Osgood, 1809 to 1844; Otis Lombard, 1844 to 1845; J. T. Rockwood, 1845 to 1846; Chauncy Chapin, 1846 to 1850; Dan'l Reynolds, 1850 to 1854.
4. RECORD BOOK, Sept., 1854, to Nov. 2, 1871, contains church business, membership, baptisms, marriages, and deaths. Kept by Rev. H. M. Parsons to Nov., 1870, with entries by E. C. Rogers, clerk for the year 1871.
5. CHURCH RECORD BOOK, from Jan., 1856, to Mar., 1878. Kept by church clerks only: D. Chauncey Brewer, 1856 to 1859; E. Morgan, 1860 to 1870; E. C. Rogers, 1870 to 1878.
6. CHURCH RECORD BOOK, now in use, 1878 to ——. (In use 1885, and good for many years to come.) Kept by church clerks only: E. C. Rogers, 1878; T. S. Stewart, 1879; H. H. Sanderson, 1880; Theo. W. Ellis, 1881 and 1882; Dan'l E. Cole, 1883, and still in office.



# Officers of the First Church,

## PARISH AND SABBATH SCHOOL FOR 1886.

### ALSO CHOIR, COLLECTORS, ETC.

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PASTOR—REV. MICHAEL BURNHAM.

DEACONS.—J. R. Hixon, J. L. Johnson, A. P. Ware, Jos. L. Shipley, Stephen Chapin, Chas. E. Brown.

CLERK.—D. P. Cole.

TREASURER.—J. Aug. Robbins.

ACTING TREASURER.—Ralph W. Ellis.

STANDING COMMITTEE.—The Pastor, Deacons, Clerk, S. S. Superintendent, *ex officio*, A. A. Packard, J. A. Robbins, H. S. Lewis, Wm. L. Richards.

WOMAN'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE.—Mrs. J. R. Hixon, Mrs. N. C. Newell, Mrs. Geo. Gould, Mrs. Sarah O. Avery, Mrs. John Giles.

USHERS.—W. N. Raymond, H. F. Rich, C. A. Morgan, G. M. Dumbleton.

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CITY MISSIONARY.—Miss Elizabeth Bates.

CHOIR.—Miss Fannie B. Chamberlain, Soprano; Mrs. James C. Ingersoll, Alto; James C. Ingersoll, Tenor; George R. Bond, Bass; E. H. Phelps, Organist and Director.

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## SUNDAY SCHOOL.

ORGANIZED 1818.

Superintendent, Wm. P. Draper; Assistants, D. P. Cole, Ralph W. Ellis, H. F. Rich; Secretary, Wm. L. Richards; Assistant Secretary, A. O. Corbin; Usher, Chas. Willis; Librarian, W. E. Holt; Assistants, C. W. Phillips, C. A. Morgan.

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# The First Church in Missions.

BY MISS MARGARET BLISS.

NOTE BY COMPILER: These reminiscences of Springfield's missionary saints and heroes were not originally prepared for publication, but were read by the author, Miss Margaret Bliss, to her friends at the monthly concert in the chapel of the First Church. The affectionate appreciation and sympathetic tone which pervade the paper are characteristic of Miss Bliss, who is the Corresponding Secretary of the Springfield branch of the Woman's Board of Missions, and has been the life-long friend of missions and missionaries.

DR. SAMUEL OSGOOD became pastor of the First Church in 1809. The next year the American Board was formed, which organization received from the beginning, the cordial sympathy and generous support of both pastor and people. At first all contributions were sent directly to the Board in Boston, to be used in any way most needed. Next, a certain sum was pledged for the support of some child in India or Ceylon, which child should receive either the name of the donor himself or some name that he should select.

In the early records of the *Missionary Herald*, the name of Israel E. Trask appears, for whose support various sums were given, by "a friend in Springfield, Mass.," and there is no doubt that Col. Israel E. Trask, at that time a resident of Springfield, and a member of the First Church, was the friend and donor.

This plan of supporting children in India had its advantages, but it was also attended with many difficulties. It was not pleasant for the missionaries to be obliged to report that "R. S. Storrs," "Archibald Alexander," and "Alexander Henry," had run away because a boy of low caste had been received into the school; or that others bearing equally distinguished names had proved unpromising and had been dismissed.

*Israel E. Trask* is reported as being active and studious—the second in school in point of talent, but possessing an unhappy temper which often exposed him to censure.

*Timothy Dwight* is mentioned as being an amiable youth of fine talents, who with more than forty others, had declared himself openly and boldly on the Lord's side.

Although, on the whole, this was considered for a long time, one of the best methods of doing good, the Board soon felt the need of other means by which the cause of missions might more steadily be carried forward.

A missionary society in every church; a corps of collectors to solicit funds; the societies of one county or district combining to form one auxiliary, with its secretary and treasurer; a regular anniversary meeting to be visited by



a deputation from the parent institution,—this was the plan proposed by which the American Board hoped to reach every individual; “For,” said the Prudential Committee, “all who profess to be followers of Christ must feel their joint and their individual responsibility. We plead for common sacrifices to be made with enlightened zeal, for a common object, and that object the worthiest, and the noblest, which ever claimed the agency of man.”

The Hampden County Auxiliary was among the first to be formed in response to this appeal, with Rev. Baxter Dickinson, of Longmeadow, secretary, and Col. Solomon Warriner, deacon of the First Church in Springfield, treasurer.

Besides this organization, a Young Ladies’ Benevolent Society is reported as contributing to the funds of the Board through its treasurer, Miss Abby, daughter of Hon. George Bliss. The Hampden County Auxiliary held its second anniversary in October, 1826. Previous to this, however, an agent of the American Board, after carefully looking over the field, had selected Springfield as the most suitable place for a grand missionary meeting which should arouse the interest of the whole community. Five young men were to be set apart for missionary work, and it was decided that the ordination should take place in Springfield.

Accordingly, on the 10th of May, 1826, Revs. Josiah Brewer, Eli Smith, Cyrus Stone, and Jeremiah Stow, were ordained as missionaries, and Rufus Anderson as an evangelist. The introductory prayer was made by Rev. Samuel Osgood, of Springfield; the sermon was preached by Rev. Warren Fay, of Charlestown, from Matt. 28 : 20, “Lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world”; the ordaining prayer was made by Rev. David D. Field, of Stockbridge; the charge was given by Rev. Isaac Knapp, of Westfield; the fellowship of the churches by Rev. L. I. Hoadley, of Worcester; and the concluding prayer was made by Rev. Alexander Phoenix, of Springfield. The interest manifested in the solemnities of the day by the inhabitants of Springfield, and by many from the neighboring towns was very great, five-hundred communicants partaking of the Lord’s Supper at the close of the exercises.

In his sermon, Mr. Fay said: “Missionaries abroad and churches at home should place their dependence on the promised presence and grace of the Lord Jesus Christ. His promise furnishes the highest encouragement to faithful missionaries, and to all the friends of missions. Christian missionaries may indeed find it their duty, and they undoubtedly will, to promote useful knowledge, the means of civilization, and all useful institutions and to encourage intellectual and physical improvement; but all this must be done as auxiliary to their great work, that of making known the Gospel of Christ.” The preacher illustrated the importance of the promise to Christian missionaries in relation to their qualifications for their work, their trials, their labors and their success.

The singing on that occasion was conducted by Col. Warriner, the long-time chorister of the First Church, to whom the people of Springfield of that day were indebted more than they knew for a correct musical taste.



One of the hymns sung was :

“Jesus shall reign where'er the sun  
Does his successive journeys run ;”

and six or eight little girls occupying the front seat in the choir gave a beautiful illustration of the words of the poet as they sang :

“And infant voices shall proclaim  
Their early blessings on his name.”

Of these five young men, Mr. Brewer went to Syria, and Mr. Stone to India. It is supposed that Mr. Stow never entered upon missionary work, on account of failing health. The work of Dr. Anderson is well known. He became secretary of the American Board in 1832, which position he held for thirty-four years, resigning at the age of seventy, in 1866. In the progress of these years, Dr. Anderson visited the missions in India, in Turkey, and in the Sandwich Islands, in behalf of the Board with which during his whole active life he was thoroughly identified.

Rev. Eli Smith, taking leave of his parents in the vestibule of the church (they having come from Connecticut to be present at his ordination), went the same night to Boston, whence, after a few days, he sailed for Malta to superintend a missionary printing establishment.

In 1839 he made his second visit to the United States, and the same year a font of Arabic type, cast under his supervision at Leipsic, was prepared for the mission press. At his request the Arabic portion of the printing establishment was removed from Malta to Beirut, and from 1847 he was engaged upon a new translation of the Bible into that language.

The printing of the whole Bible in Arabic was completed in March, 1865. This important event which, however, Dr. Smith did not live to see, was appropriately celebrated by the missionaries and their native brethren. One who was present on that occasion writes :

“In the upper room where Dr. Smith had labored on the translation eight years, and Dr. Van Dyck eight years more, the assembled missionaries gave thanks to God for the completion of the arduous work. Just then, the sound of many voices arose from below, and, on throwing open the door, we heard a large company of young men, laborers at the press and members of the Protestant community, singing to the tune of Hebron, ‘a new song, even praise to our God,’ composed for the occasion by one of their number.

‘Hail day, thrice blessed of our God !  
Rejoice, let all men bear a part,  
Complete at length Thy printed word,  
Lord, print its truth on every heart.

‘To Him who gave his precious word,  
Arise and with glad praises sing;  
Exalt and magnify our Lord,  
Our Maker and our glorious King.”



Surely not for many centuries have the angels in heaven heard a sweeter sound arising from Syria."

A few years after the ordination of these young men, Miss Martha Ely, who had been teacher of a girls' school in the old academy building, then standing at the foot of Elm street, was married to the missionary, Rev. Daniel Temple, and went with him to Malta. Remote as these events are, three members of the First Church now living, were once pupils of Miss Ely.

During the first year of Dr. Osgood's ministry a child presented for baptism received the name of the pastor. This Samuel Osgood Wright, grown to manhood, went to Liberia as a missionary, being sent, it is supposed, by some society other than the American Board, as his name is not mentioned in any report of that organization. He soon fell a victim to the climate, and lives now only in the memory of a few who knew him while he lived in Springfield.

Rev. Story Hebard is remembered as the first teacher of the boys' high school on School street, a fine scholar, a most amiable man, and a devoted Christian, who easily won the hearts of all his pupils. Mr. Hebard afterwards studied for the ministry and went to Syria as a missionary, but soon lost his health and died at Malta in 1841.

Rev. Samuel Bonney, missionary to China, was in his youth a member of the First Church Sunday-school, being at that time clerk at the "Corner" book-store, then owned and occupied by the firm of G. & C. Merriam. Rev. William W. Howland, of India, was also once employed by the same firm.

These five missionaries may be considered as once belonging to the First Church, though their names may never have been enrolled as members.

Rev. S. H. Calhoun united with this church in November, 1831. His conversion after the death of his mother was as sudden, as thorough, and to those who had known him in college, almost as marvelous, as was that of Saul of Tarsus. Leaving the study of law, which he had commenced in the office of his brother, Hon. William B. Calhoun, he turned his attention to the ministry, at the same time being employed as teacher of the boys' high school. Having subdued the turbulent and mischievous spirit that had driven his immediate predecessor from the school-room, Mr. Calhoun not only became a revered and honored friend to the boys, but to their parents as well, and he was received in all their homes a welcome guest. Boys were fitted for college under his instruction, and with many of them the acquaintance thus begun in the school-room ripened into life-long friendship.

One of his pupils, who afterward became a missionary, says of his former teacher and friend: "But the teacher who most influenced my life in those days (and, I may say, most influences me to this day) was Mr. Calhoun. It has been my privilege to meet him often since my boyhood, both in his own home on the Lebanon, and at my own house, and from every interview I have come away with a most distinct impression that I had received higher ideas of life, and been stirred up to make fresh efforts after the things that are excellent.

"It was while Mr. Calhoun was connected with the high school that he



first consecrated himself to the service of Christ. It was just at the same period that my own heart was turned to the same service, and I shall never forget the help his counsels and his prayers were to me in the familiar intercourse he allowed me to have with him in his own room, and in the walks to which he often invited me. I do not think that Mr. Calhoun had at that time any definite plan for life. His great effort was to quicken and guide my aspirations after holiness and conformity to the example of Christ."

Mr. Calhoun became at once an acknowledged leader in the church and in the Sunday-school. His voice was often heard in public, but whether in delivering a lyceum lecture, or an impromptu address at a temperance meeting, or in visiting the sick at their own homes, he was everywhere known as an earnest Christian. And this, without any assumption of superior sanctity, but only as a sinner saved by grace. "Before I was afflicted I went astray," he would sometimes say in allusion to his former life, and it was his own narrow escape from the dangers which beset young men that made him the wise and sympathetic counselor that he was to the many that were favored with his friendship.

At the close of the heroic struggle which resulted in the independence of Greece, Mr. Calhoun, then a college student, and his profession in life not yet determined, jocosely said to one of his companions that he should like nothing better than to go to Greece, and distribute Bibles in that country. One of the professors, overhearing the remark, said, as he afterward told Mr. Calhoun, that he could not help praying in his heart that this might actually be the case, though at that time, nothing seemed more improbable.

But after Mr. Calhoun became a Christian, the Saviour's last command was met with, "Why not I?" until at length he fully determined to devote himself to missionary work in foreign lands. He was ordained in this church in November, 1836, and in January, 1837, went to Smyrna, as the first agent of the American Bible Society in the Levant. The prayers of the good professor, as well as those of his sainted mother, were answered.

A few years later, Mr. Calhoun entered the service of the American Board. He made a brief visit to America in 1840, and again in 1848, after which he became permanently established as teacher at Abeih, Mt. Lebanon.

The following report was given of this seminary after it had been in operation about twenty years:

"The course of study has been confined to the Arabic language, but the Bible has been the chief text-book. The Old and New Testaments are studied through the entire four-years' course. The graduates are scattered throughout the East. Some are preachers and pastors; others are connected with the high and common schools throughout Syria. The school has been an important instrumentality in the diffusion of light and truth."

Before Mr. Calhoun's final visit to America, in 1875, he had finished his "Commentary on the Four Gospels,"—a work which he had been very anxious to complete before leaving Syria. It had been his intention to return, and, when his work was done, be laid away to rest under the cypress trees where two of his children were buried, but this was not to be. A serious



illness while visiting relatives in Buffalo, N. Y., prevented his attendance at the meeting of the American Board at Hartford, in October, 1876. .

In answer to an invitation to be present at that meeting, Mr. Calhoun sent a letter to the Board in which he said: "You will be surprised to hear that probably when that meeting is held I shall be among the redeemed, through infinite mercy, in the Kingdom of Christ above. But, whether at the time I shall still be lingering on the earthly side, or shall have passed away, I wish to bear my dying testimony to the blessedness of this cause. Deeper and deeper has become my conviction that the work of foreign missions is the great mission of Christ's church, and that it can be neglected by no organization or individual without personal loss."

To Dr. Prime, his early friend and classmate, he wrote: "Could I, in this closing hour, make one exhortation more solemn than another, it would be to the churches of Christ to cleave with an ever-growing tenacity to the simple oracles of God."

He lingered several weeks longer, suffering little pain, but gradually growing weaker till he fell asleep, December 14, 1876.

During his last visit to the "goodly town of Springfield," as he was wont to speak of it, a former acquaintance met him on School street, trying to find the trees which he set out while he was a teacher here. "I did it for the sake of my boys," he explained. Then going with the friend to his own home, he had not been long in the house with the family circle, whom he knew to be Christians, when, as if the blessed truth had come to him with all the force of a new revelation, he exclaimed, "It is wonderful that Jesus came from heaven to save us! It is wonderful! wonderful!" thus giving another illustration of the truth of what his missionary associates said of him: "He often startled us with his fresh thoughts on old and familiar subjects. His commanding presence, his pleasant voice, and his earnestness of manner, were all calculated to give force to his words; but there was something in his preaching beyond presence, or voice, or earnestness. The simplest truths, enunciated in the simplest way, seemed to fall from his lips with power. The same things said by another would have made little, if any impression."

The trees which Mr. Calhoun planted more than a half-century ago are still standing; his memory still lives in the hearts of many in this community to whom his life was an inspiration. One of his many Springfield friends has truthfully said: "There was a natural dignity in his form and face, which was raised by the spirit that shone from within to a kind of gentle majesty. He was fit to govern a nation: he spent his life in teaching a group of Arab boys; and he showed always, not patient resignation as to a hard lot bravely borne, but a joyful enthusiasm as of one to whom had fallen the most honorable and delightful service. We cannot think of such a man as dead. We instinctively know that he has entered into grander activities, into clearer vision of his Master, into closer and tenderer ties of love."

Rev. Edwin E. Bliss united with the First Church in 1831. He prepared



for college at the high school under Mr. Calhoun, graduated at Amherst in 1837, and at Andover Theological Seminary in 1842, and was ordained at West Springfield, Feb. 9, 1843, Dr. Anderson preaching the sermon from the text: "For the thing was done suddenly." 2 Chron. 29:36.

He was married to Isabella Porter, of Portland, Maine, Feb. 20, 1843, and on the 1st of March following they sailed from Boston, in company with missionaries, for Persia, Dr. and Mrs. Perkins, Miss Fisk, and the Nestorian bishop, Mar Yohannan.

They were prevented from going to the Nestorians of Persia, as they had expected, on account of war between that people and the Koords, and the following year they were transferred to the Armenian mission, and resided at Trebizond.

Subsequently they were stationed at Marsovan, at Samsoon, and at Bebek. Since 1856 their home has been in Constantinople, Mr. Bliss having charge of the mission newspaper, published in three languages. His headquarters are at the Bible House, a building which is both an ornament and a blessing to the city, and for which his brother, Rev. Isaac G. Bliss, had the principal agency in collecting funds, and in superintending its erection.

In a recent letter, after more than forty years of service, Mr. Bliss writes: "The question whether I should become a foreign missionary came to me after entering college, and my decision to become such—a decision which I have never regretted—was a result, first of all, I think, of my mother's prayers, and of the example of consecration which I saw in her and in my dear father. My life has been a busy one, and I have had little time for anything but the duty of the day and the hour. Our missionary work moves steadily onward, encountering obstacles at every step, but ever rising above them, so that year by year we make advance, which, as we look back upon it, seems marvelous in our eyes, and to be ascribed only to God's hand with us."

Laura A. Bliss, sister of Edwin, became a member of this church in 1831, at the age of twelve. Her common school education was supplemented by a course of study at Ipswich, in the days of Miss Grant and Miss Mary Lyon.

After teaching a short time, she was married July 24, 1839, to Rev. Alexander Montgomery, and went to Westfield, N. Y., where her husband had charge of an academy.

From 1845 to the death of her husband in 1859, her home was at the West; first at Beaver Dam, Wisconsin, and afterward at Chicago and Beloit, her husband filling the duties in the first as general agent of the Tract Society in that region, and in the second those of district secretary of the American Board in the same region.

At first it was in the heart of both of them to spend their lives in the foreign missionary service, but this plan had been relinquished on account of the impaired health of Mrs. Montgomery. She, however, retained to the last the warmest interest in the foreign work, and in each of her western homes she was ever making efforts to interest others in it, as well as



to improve her opportunities to help on every other good enterprise. Her qualities of mind and heart were such as gave her great influence over all with whom she became acquainted.

After the death of her husband, Mrs. Montgomery remained for a time at Beloit, and then removed to Chicago, and afterwards to Ionia, Michigan, which had become the residence of her older children. After a long and painful illness she died Feb. 7, 1882.

Emma L. Bliss, a younger sister of Rev. Edwin E. Bliss, united with this church in 1835; was married to Rev. Henry J. Van Lennep, a missionary of the American Board, and went with him to Smyrna, his native city, arriving there in April, 1840. Her health had always been delicate. She was subject to attacks of palpitation of the heart, and the fatigue and excitement of the journey across the continent added to this difficulty, so that when she reached Smyrna she was seriously ill.

In the society of the large circle of relatives of her husband, who gave her the kindest welcome, and soon learned to love her most warmly, and in that of the missionary families residing in Smyrna, she found much to cheer her last days; but all the while the disease was getting more and more the mastery. No care of friends, and no skill of physicians, could check its progress, and on the 12th of September, 1840, just five months after reaching Smyrna, she went to her Saviour, whom with all the warmth of a most affectionate heart she had long loved, and had sought to serve in a rare spirit of humility and self-consecration. One who knew Mrs. Van Lennep in her early home in Springfield, and who was also well acquainted with her missionary life in Smyrna, says of her:

"Her missionary life was a very short one, but it was not without its influence. The loveliness of her Christian character made a deep impression upon all the circle of friends and relatives there, many of whom had never before had the opportunity to witness the power of faith in Christ and of love to him.

"Her mortal remains sleep in a shaded recess of the Dutch burying-ground in Smyrna, but I love to think of her as living in immortal, unfading youth, growing ever in the beauty of holiness, forever with the Lord."

Margaret Bell united with this church in 1858; graduated at the high school the next year, and in the summer of 1862 was married to Rev. Henry Haskell, who was ordained at South Deerfield, the marriage ceremony being performed at the same time and place.

Prof. Park, of Andover, preached the sermon from the text: "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." Nearly every one who had any part in the exercises spoke of the young bride, and much was said about the influence of a Christian home, especially in Bulgaria, where Mr. Haskell was to be stationed. This fact probably led the humorous professor afterward to say that never before had he known a woman to be so thoroughly ordained.

After ten years of service, Mr. and Mrs. Haskell returned to America, partly on account of Mrs. Haskell's mother, who was suffering from a pain-



ful and incurable disease, which, not long ago, resulted in her death. Mr. Haskell is now pastor of a church in Harmer, Ohio.

Mary E. Reynolds became a member of this church in 1852, at the age of fourteen. Very early in life her attention was called to the foreign missionary work. When only eight years of age she listened to an address upon India by Dr. Scudder in the First Church. At the close, Dr. Scudder asked the children present who would like to become missionaries to stand, and Mary Reynolds was among the few that stood up. The impression then made upon her was never entirely lost. Leaving the high school in 1854, she was engaged several years in teaching; but after the death of her mother in 1858, her desire to enter upon missionary work was greatly strengthened and intensified, especially as she knew that this had also been her mother's ardent wish.

Her friends at first objected, on account of her health, fearing that she was not strong enough for the arduous work; but when in April, 1863, they gave their consent, she immediately made application to the American Board, mentioning Turkey as her preference, although she was willing to be sent to any station that was thought best.

On the 1st day of May, 1863, as Miss Reynolds was entering the chapel to attend the preparatory lecture, her pastor, Rev. H. M. Parsons, placed in her hand the following telegram from Boston: "We wish Miss Reynolds to start for Turkey the 30th."

The call was sudden—only four weeks to make preparation for a sojourn of six years; but many willing, helping hands accomplished far more than at first seemed possible, and on May 30th Miss Reynolds was on board the steamer "City of Baltimore," bound for Liverpool.

After a brief sojourn with friends in Constantinople, where she arrived July 8, "tired with delight and delightfully tired," as she expressed it, Miss Reynolds continued her journey into Bulgaria, where she found a home in the family of Rev. E. N. Byington, and her work in being the first principal of the mission school for Bulgarian girls in Eski Zagra, in European Turkey.

After six years' service Miss Reynolds was compelled to return to America on account of failing health. In February, 1871, this was so far restored that she had about decided to go back to Bulgaria, when a severe cold developed the latent disease, and nothing could retard its progress. Through much suffering her faith continued bright and strong, until on the 1st day of June, 1871, she passed away.

Many letters of condolence and sympathy came to her friends from her former pupils, the Bulgarian girls, and from the missionaries who had been associated with her. One of the latter wrote: "Our beloved sister joined the mission in its early days, during the 'night of toil' that always precedes the rising of the Sun of Righteousness. Many were her trials, and arduous her labors, but the Master gave her great joy as well. Few missionaries are permitted to see so early, precious and abundant fruit of their labors as she saw. Her humble, earnest and consistent Christian life was a new revelation to those reared in ignorance of all true and living Christianity."



This school for Bulgarian girls was afterward removed to Samakov, a healthier locality, and is reported as being now in a prosperous condition.

Rev. R. N. Hume and Miss H. D. Sackett were married in the old First Church, West Springfield, on the Sabbath, at the close of the afternoon service, March 21, 1839. They sailed from Salem, Mass., April 1, and reached Bombay August 10 of the same year.

Having previously studied the native language, they commenced missionary work at once. They resided all their missionary life in Bombay.

In 1854 they left for Cape Town, South Africa, in accordance with urgent medical advice, hoping that the voyage might benefit Mr. Hume, whose health had failed under continued pressure of work. But he died at sea Nov. 26, early Sabbath morning, and at 12 o'clock the same day was buried in the Indian Ocean, about twenty miles off the coast of Natal, just one week before the vessel reached Cape Town.

Mrs. Hume, with her six children, sailed from Cape Town for Boston, arriving in that city April 20, 1855, and the following September came to Springfield. After a few months Mrs. Hume united with the First Church, and afterward the three older children, Sarah, Catharine, and Hannah, united with the same upon profession. These, with the three younger children, Robert, Edward, and Isabella, were all members of the Sunday-school, in which Mrs. Hume was also a teacher.

In 1871 after the family had removed to New Haven, Hannah was taken to the heavenly home.

The two sons, Robert and Edward, are now missionaries in India, having taken up the work which their father laid down more than thirty years ago; and the daughter Sarah, who has been for several years in her brother Robert's family, has now become a regular missionary of the Woman's Board, one important item of her work being the establishment of the "Chapin Home," in which women are taught industrial work and trained for Bible women.

In a letter dated at New Haven, August 17, 1885, Mrs Hume writes: "The *cause* and the dear Master we have tried to serve, I never tire of talking or writing about. These are themes that have made my life a joy the last fifty years, comforting, sustaining, and gladdening my life under great trials and burdens and disappointments. Few families have been called to such peculiar and severe discipline, but we can all say that the grace of God has been sufficient for us, and He has never left us nor forsaken us."

Rev. Henry Bruce, another missionary in India, was for several years a member of the First Church Sunday-school.

Dr. Pease is a native of Granby, Mass., a graduate of Amherst College, a tutor in the same institution, a medical student, a soldier in the army, a practicing physician. These items give but a glimpse of the personal history of Dr. Pease before he came to Springfield in 1870, and united with this church.

Miss H. A. Sturtevant came to Springfield from Bordentown, N. J., uniting with the church in 1874. Dr. Pease was married to Miss Sturtevant at Bor-



dentown, N. J., in April, 1877, and in May they were on the way to San Francisco and Honolulu, whence by the "Morning Star," they sailed for the Micronesian Islands. Mrs. Pease was not only a member of the First Church, but the Springfield Branch of the Woman's Board was pledged for her support, so that in a special sense she was considered "our missionary."

At first stationed at Ebon, the mission school was afterwards transferred to Kusaie. The friendly king of the island gave Dr. Pease a lease of a tract of land, large enough for all the purposes of the mission. Should the station ever be abandoned by the missionaries, the property is to revert to the king.

After constructing a convenient house for his family, Dr. Pease gave himself to the work of translating, preparing a dictionary of 3000 words from books already in use, besides continuing to work on the New Testament till in May, 1882, the last verse in Revelation was translated.

Mrs. Pease writes: "We have the work in and out of school, both for ourselves and all about us, systematically arranged as far as it is possible. We grow more and more interested in the work every year."

They had their holidays, too, Christmas, Thanksgiving-day, and the Fourth of July, the celebration of which their pupils enjoy with as much zest as if they were native-born Americans. But no holiday was quite equal to that in which the "Morning Star" arrived. Mrs. Pease writes: "I don't suppose you can possibly imagine how our thoughts center around the 'Star' and what she brings to us. The letters contain love and cheer which are independent of dates. One Christmas card has these lines:

' While you for Christ are working far away,  
Most tenderly at home for you we pray.'

I wish I could tell the one who sent it how much we prize this precious help "

At the request of her friends in Springfield, Mrs. Pease has sent, year by year, a detailed account of her daily life and of matters interesting to herself which would not ordinarily be reported to the Board in Boston.

In these graphic descriptions, Mrs. Pease has shown us her home on the beautiful island of Kusaie. Now we are admiring the roses from the homeland, and the shade trees which have been planted; now, we are listening to the prattle of her two little boys, who have been sent to brighten their island-home; and, again we are watching the regularity of her household arrangements, every hour having its appropriate work; but no scene excites more pleasurable emotions than that which presents the native children and youth, gathered around Mrs. Pease while she plays the organ, and singing in sweet, plaintive tones, "Saviour, more than life to me," "Whiter than snow," and other gospel hymns. But a brighter, a more joyous day is in store for the natives of Kusaie, when Dr. and Mrs. Pease who are now in this country, shall return to them bringing the New Testament, which Dr. Pease has just completed. Of all these whose names have been mentioned in this brief sketch, only three, now members of the First Church, remain in the service of the American Board—Dr. and Mrs. Pease of Micronesia, and Rev. Edwin E. Bliss of Constantinople.



# Specification of the Organ,

Containing 50 Stops, 2311 Pipes, and 9 Pedal Movements.

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## I. MANUALE (GREAT), COMPASS FROM C<sub>0</sub> TO a<sup>3</sup>.

16 Feet Open Diapason, metal, 58 pipes; 16 Feet Quintation, wood, 58 pipes; 8 Feet Open Diapason, metal, 58 pipes; 8 Feet Viola Da Gamba, metal, 58 pipes; 8 Feet Doppel Flöte, wood, 58 pipes; 4 Feet Octave, metal, 58 pipes; 4 Feet Flauto Traverso, wood, 58 pipes; 2 2-3 Feet Twelfth, metal, 58 pipes; 2 Feet Fifteenth, metal, 58 pipes; 3 Rank Mixture, metal, 174 pipes; 2 Rank Cymbale, metal, 116 pipes; 8 Feet Trumpet, metal, 58 pipes. Total, 870 pipes.

## II. MANUALE (SWELL), COMPASS FROM C<sub>0</sub> TO a<sup>3</sup>.

16 Feet Bourdon Bass, wood; 16 Feet Bourdon Treble, wood, 58 pipes; 8 Feet Open Diapason, metal, 58 pipes; 8 Feet Salicional, metal, 58 pipes; 8 Feet Æoline, metal, 58 pipes; 8 Feet Stopped Diapason, wood, 58 pipes; 4 Feet Flute Harmonique, metal, 58 pipes; 4 Feet Violina, metal, 58 pipes; 2 Feet Flautino, metal, 58 pipes; 3 Rank Dolce Cornet, metal, 174 pipes; 8 Feet Cornopean, metal, 58 pipes; 8 Feet Oboe and Bassoon, metal, 58 pipes; 8 Feet Vox Humana, metal, 58 pipes. Total, 812 pipes.

## III. MANUALE (SOLO), COMPASS FROM C<sub>0</sub> TO a<sup>3</sup>.

16 Feet Leiblich Gedacht, wood, 46 pipes; 8 Feet Geigen Principal, metal, 58 pipes; 8 Feet Dulciana, metal, 58 pipes; 8 Feet Melodia, wood, 58 pipes; 4 Feet Flute d'Amour, wood, 58 pipes; 4 Feet Fugara, metal, 58 pipes; 2 Feet Piccolo, metal, 58 pipes; 8 Feet Clarinet, metal, 46 pipes. Total, 440 pipes.

## PEDALE, COMPASS FROM C<sup>1</sup> TO d<sup>0</sup>.

16 Feet Open Diapason, wood, 27 pipes; 16 Feet Bourdon, wood, 27 pipes; 16 Feet Violone, wood, 27 pipes; 16 Feet Trombone, wood and metal, 27 pipes; 10 2-3 Feet Quint, wood, 27 pipes; 8 Feet Violoncello, metal, 27 pipes; 8 Feet Doppel Flöte, wood, 27 pipes. Total, 189 pipes.

## MECHANICAL REGISTERS.

Great to Pedale, Coupler; Swell to Pedale, Coupler; Solo to Pedale, Coupler; Bellows Signal; Tremulo to Swell; Tremulo to Solo.

## PISTON PNEUMATICS.

Great Manuale to Pneumatic, Coupler; Swell Manuale to Pneumatic, Coupler (Swell to Great); Swell Manuale to Pneumatic, Coupler (Solo to Great); Swell to Solo, Coupler.

## PEDAL PNEUMATIC MOVEMENTS.

Forte, Combination Pedal, I. Manuale; Piano, Combination Pedal, I. Manuale; Forte, Combination Pedal, II. Manuale; Piano, Combination Pedal, II. Manuale; Forte, Combination Pedal, for Pedal Organ; Piano, Combination Pedal, for Pedal Organ. (The above Pedals are operated by Pneumatic power.) Reversible Pedal to Operate Pedal Coupler, I. Manuale; Adjustable Swell Pedal, II. Manuale; Adjustable Swell Pedal, III. Manuale; III. Manuale inclosed in a separate Swell Box, with Independent Pedal.





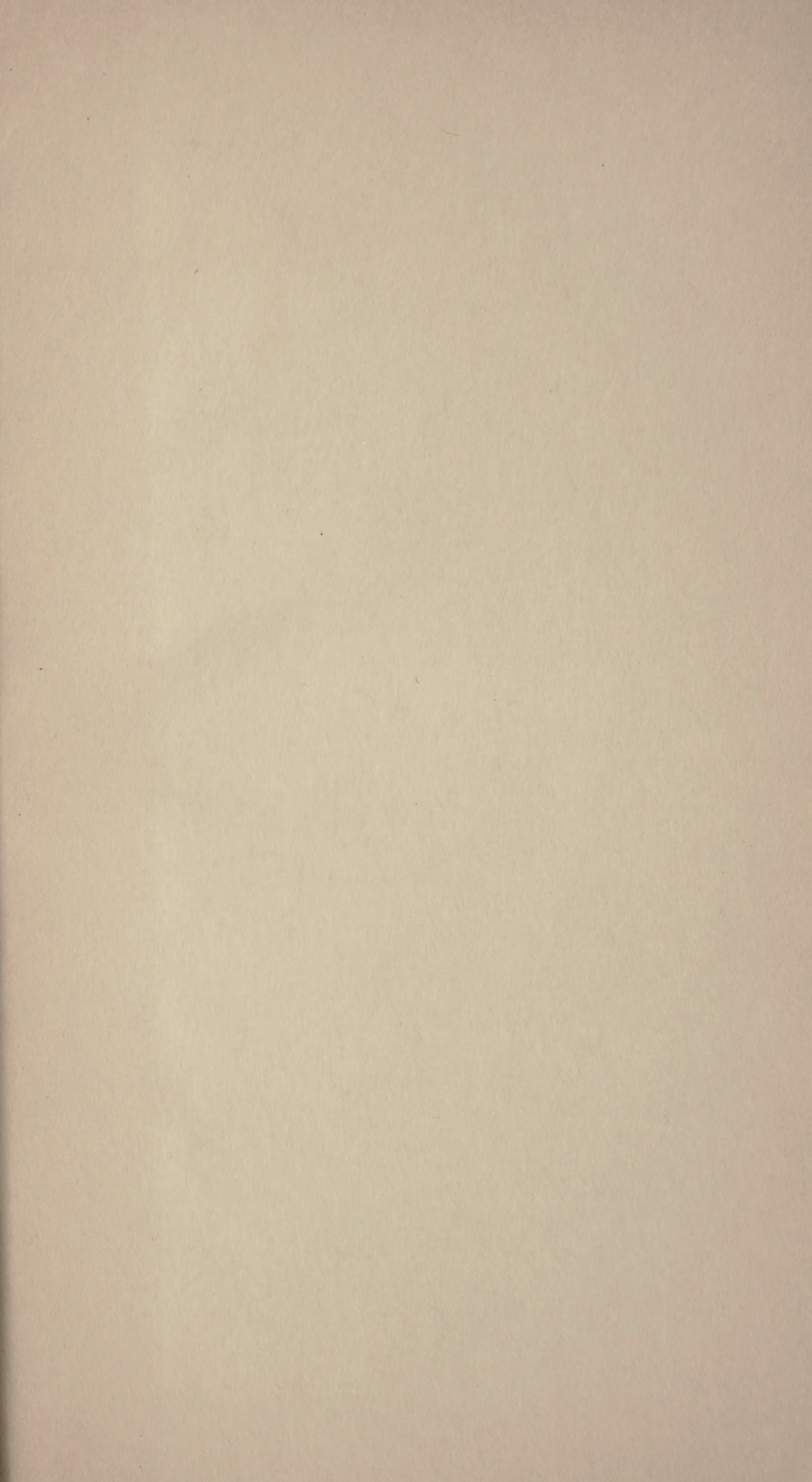






















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